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## Drug-resistant bacteria go undetected

Poor training in use of tests allows 'superbugs' to evade surveillance.

Daniel Cressey

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The essential daily briefing

Margaret Chan  
Director-General  
World Health Organization  
Speaking in Geneva, Switzerland

## 'An end to modern medicine as we know it'

WHO chief's stark warning about danger of resistance to antibiotics  
Growing crisis' may 'turn common infections into untreatable disease  
Calls for restrictions on use in animals to halt the spread of E. coli



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## Antibiotic resistance would make simple surgery too risky to attempt

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antibiotic superbugs has proved increasingly difficult and costly, as they are taken only for a short period and the commercial returns are low.

De Chan continued: "In terms of new replacement antibiotics, the pipeline is virtually dry. The cupboard is nearly bare."

From an industry perspective, why hasn't there been more investment in developing a new antibiotic? When pharmaceutical companies invest in research and development, they expect to see a return on their investment before the investment can be recouped.

De Chan called for measures to tackle the threat by doctors prescribing antibiotics appropriately, patients following their doctors' instructions on the use of antibiotics in cases of minor illnesses, and actions to combat antibiotic resistance.

"We must act now to prevent antibiotic resistance from becoming a major threat to public health," she said.

**IN NUMBERS**

**25,000** people in Europe die every year from antibiotic-resistant infections

**90%** of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus infections are now resistant to penicillin, which was introduced in the 1940s

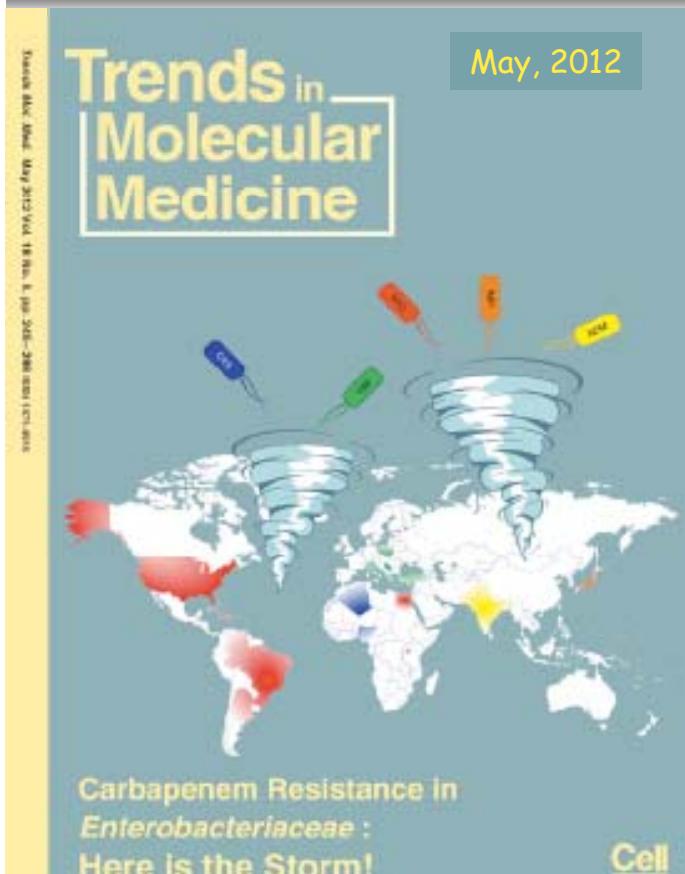
**200,000** cases of campylobacter infections are reported annually in the UK

**650,000** cases of tuberculosis are now multi-drug resistant

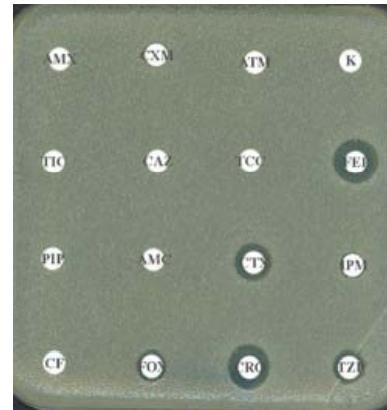


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# Carbapenemases in *Enterobacteriaceae*



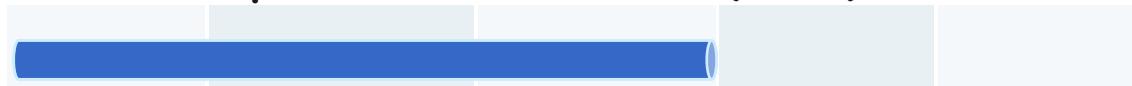
Penicillins



Cephalosporins

Carbapenems

Extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases (ESBL); CTX-M



Carbapenemases: VIM, IMP, NDM, OXA-48, KPC

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# The carbapenemases in *Enterobacteriaceae*

Enzyme	Penicillins	Cephalosporins 1st et 2 <sup>nd</sup> * generation	Cephalosporins 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 th generation cefepime cefpirome	β-lactams/ Inhibitors of β-lactamases	Carbapenems
Ambler class					
A		Penicillinases: KPC, IMI, GES..			
B		Metallo-enzymes: VIM, IMP, NDM-1			
D		Oxacillinases =OXA-48, OXA-181			

The diagram illustrates the Ambler classification of carbapenemases across different antibiotic classes. Class A enzymes (blue bar) target penicillins, cephalosporins (1st and 2nd gen), and β-lactamases. Class B enzymes (red bar) target cephalosporins (3rd/4th gen) and carbapenems. Class D enzymes (green bar) target β-lactamases and carbapenems.

\* Cephamycins excluded for most class As

# KPCs: Klebsiella pneumoniae Carbapenemase



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## Novel Carbapenem-Hydrolyzing $\beta$ -Lactamase, KPC-1, from a Carbapenem-Resistant Strain of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

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# Rapid Spread of Carbapenem-Resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in New York City

## A New Threat to Our Antibiotic Armamentarium

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**Background:** Carbapenem antibiotics are used to treat serious infections caused by extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase-carrying pathogens. Carbapenem resistance has been unusual in isolates of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. In this study, the prevalence and molecular epidemiologic characteristics of carbapenem-resistant *K. pneumoniae* are analyzed, and the experience involving 2 hospital outbreaks is described.

**Methods:** A citywide surveillance study was conducted in hospitals in Brooklyn. An observational study involving subsequent outbreaks at 2 hospitals was undertaken. Isolates were genetically fingerprinted by ribotyping and were examined for the presence of KPC-type carbapenem-hydrolyzing  $\beta$ -lactamases.

**Results:** Of 602 isolates of *K. pneumoniae* collected during the citywide surveillance study, 45% had extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases. Of the extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase-producing isolates, 3.3% carried the carbapenem-hydrolyzing  $\beta$ -lactamase KPC-2. Several isolates were reported by the clinical microbiology laboratories as being

susceptible to imipenem. Although all the isolates were resistant using agar diffusion methods, minimal inhibitory concentrations of imipenem were substantially lower for several isolates using standard broth microdilution tests and were highly dependent on the inoculum used. Two hospitals experienced the rapid spread of carbapenem-resistant isolates involving 5–14-day mortality for bacteremic patients. Isolates belonged to a single ribotype.

**Conclusions:** Carbapenem-resistant isolates are rapidly emerging in New York. A strain that possesses a carbapenemase has occurred in regional hospital isolates are resistant to virtually all antibiotics, control of their spread is complicated systems used for susceptibility accurately identify all these isolates, which hamper control efforts.

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***K. pneumoniae* KPC+: 33%; ST-type 258**

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## The KPC enzymes

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## Evolution of antimicrobial resistance among *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Acinetobacter baumannii* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in Brooklyn, NY

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**Objectives:** To document resistance patterns of three important nosocomial pathogens, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Acinetobacter baumannii* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, present in hospitals in Brooklyn, NY.

**Methods:** Susceptibility profiles of pathogens gathered during a surveillance study in 2006 were analysed and compared with similar surveys performed in 1999 and 2001. MICs were determined according to CLSI standards, and selected isolates were screened by PCR for the presence of VIM, IMP and KPC  $\beta$ -lactamases.

**Results:** For *P. aeruginosa*, susceptibility to most antimicrobials fell in 2001 and then reached a plateau. However, there was a progressive decrease in the number of patients with *P. aeruginosa* during the three surveys. While the total number of isolates of *A. baumannii* remained steady, there was a progressive decrease in susceptibility to most classes of antimicrobial agents, and approximately one-third had combined resistance to carbapenems, fluoroquinolones and aminoglycosides. There was a noticeable rise in the number of isolates of *K. pneumoniae* over the surveillance periods, suggesting that this has become the predominant pathogen in many medical centres. Over one-third of *K. pneumoniae* collected in 2006 carried the carbapenemase KPC, and 22% were resistant to all three classes of antimicrobial agents.

**Conclusions:** Hospitals in our region have been beset with antimicrobial-resistant Gram-negative bacteria. *K. pneumoniae* has rapidly emerged as the most common multidrug-resistant pathogen. Improved therapeutic agents and methods of detection are needed to reduce transmission of these bacteria.

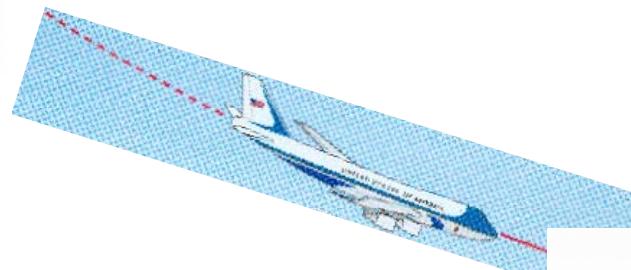
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Intercontinental travels of patients and dissemination of plasmid-mediated carbape KPC-3 associated with OXA-9 and TEM-1

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*K. pneumoniae KPC-2*

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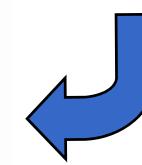
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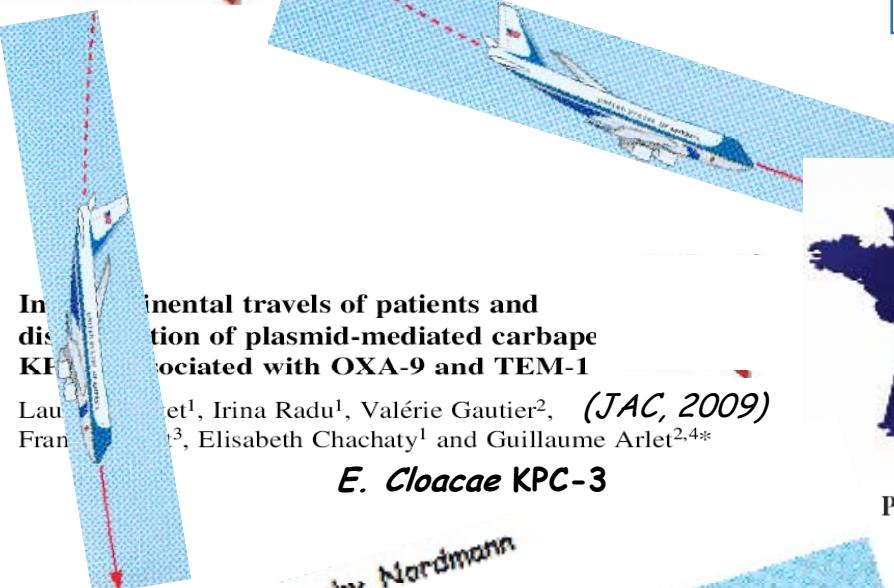
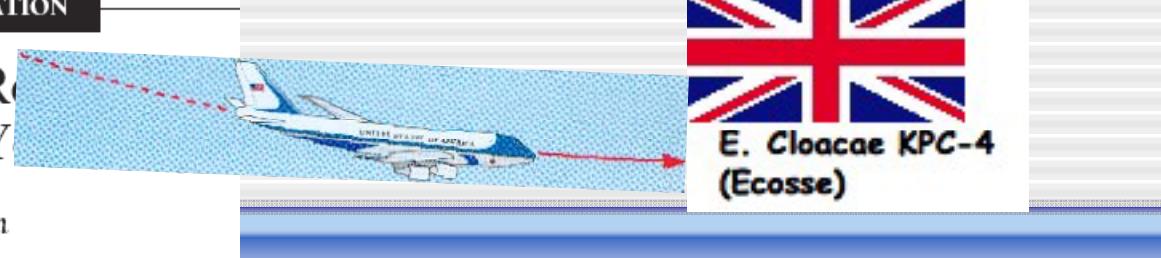
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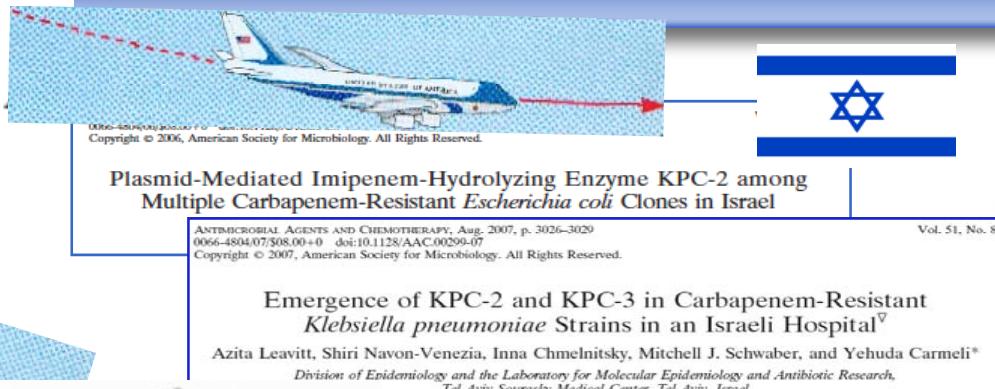
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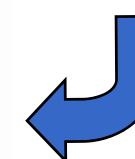
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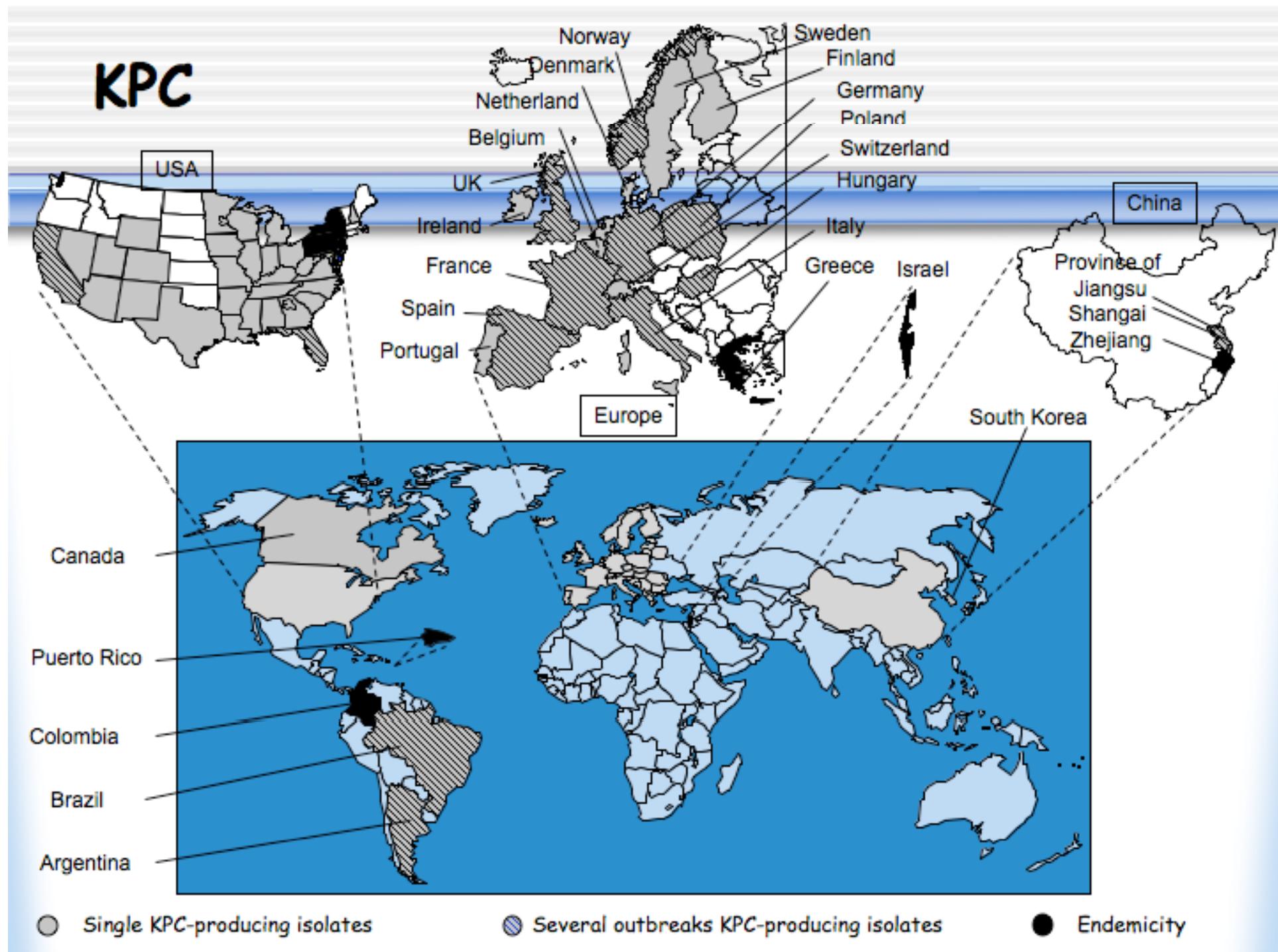


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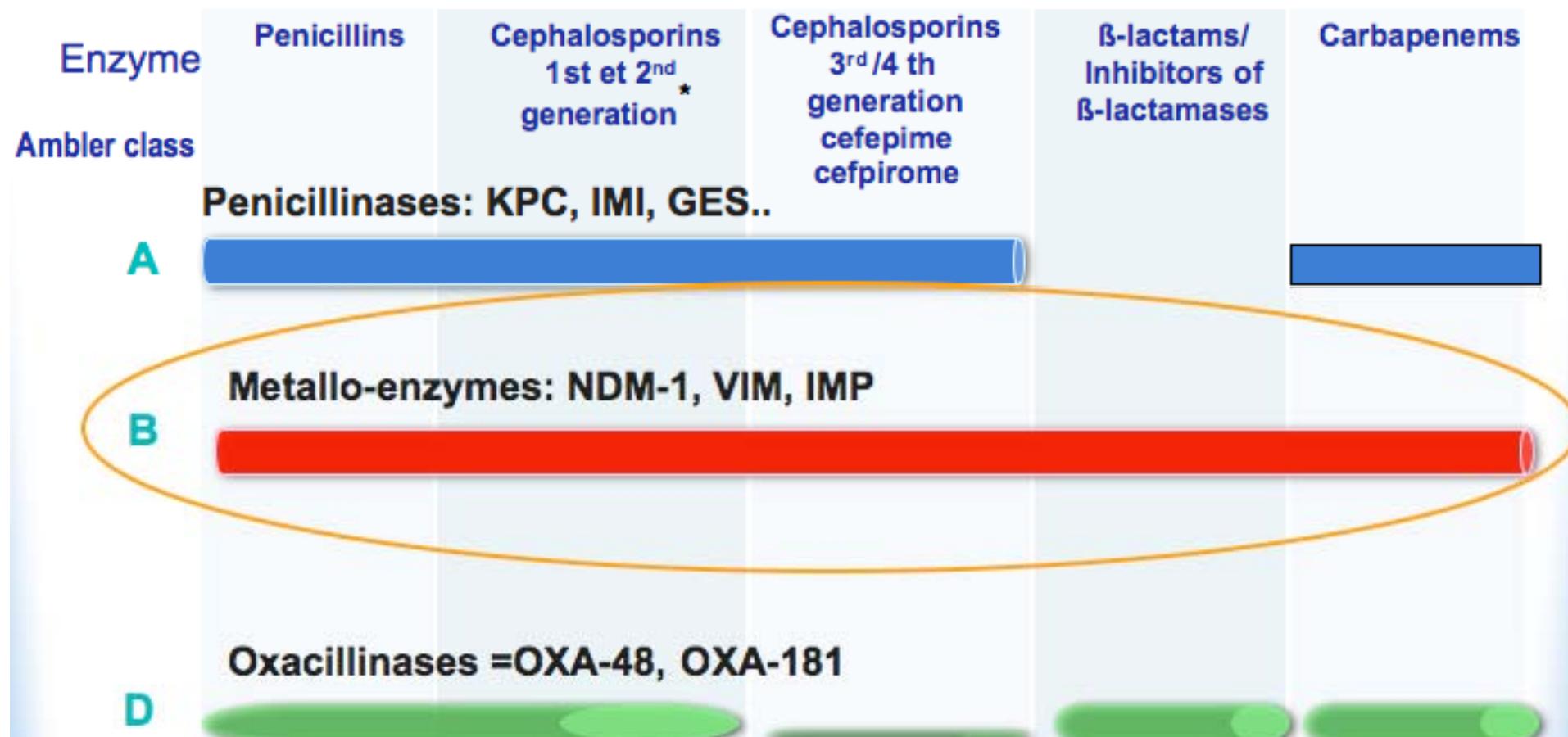
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# KPC



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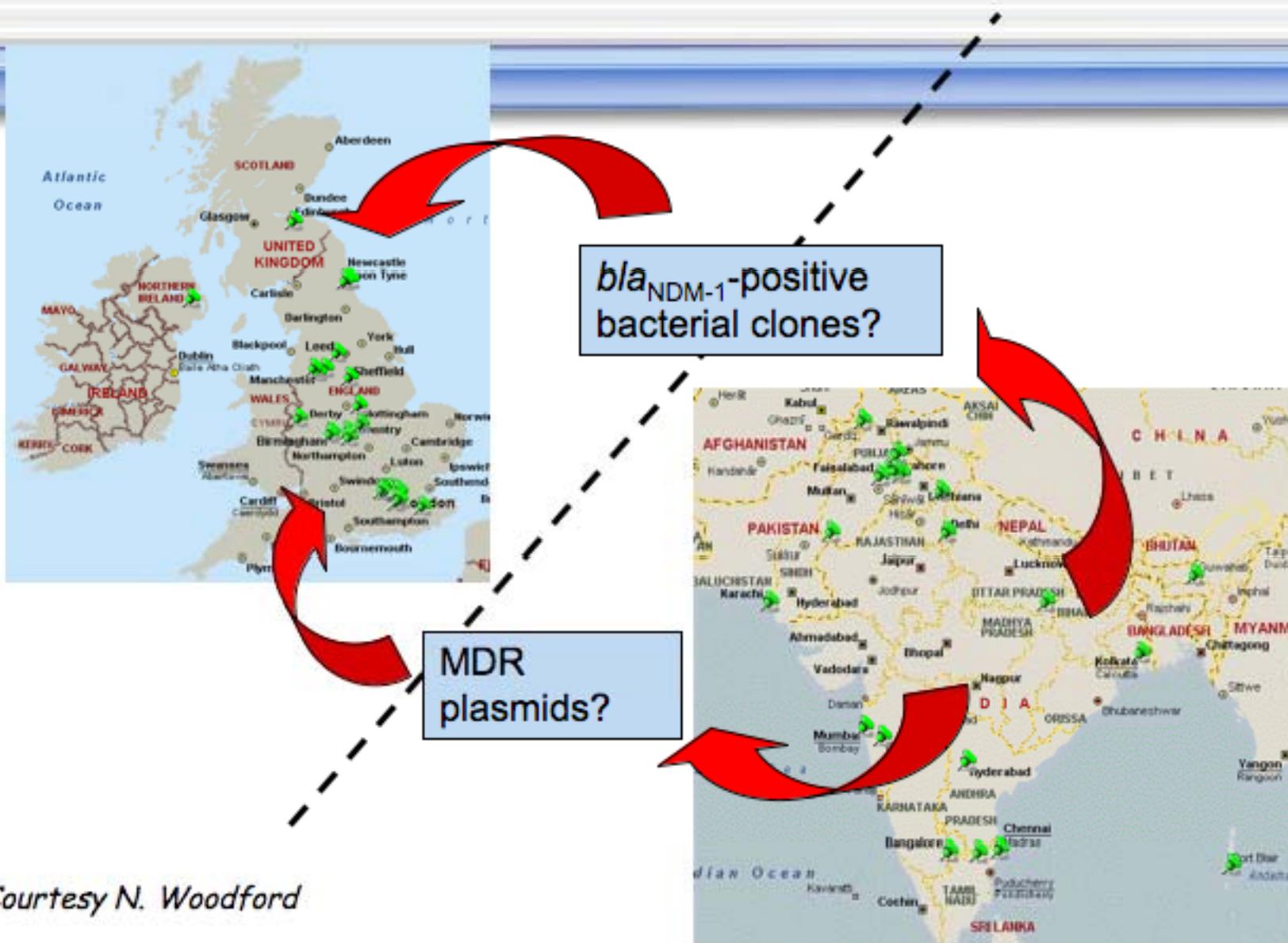
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# Spread of NDM-1 from India/Pakistan to the UK



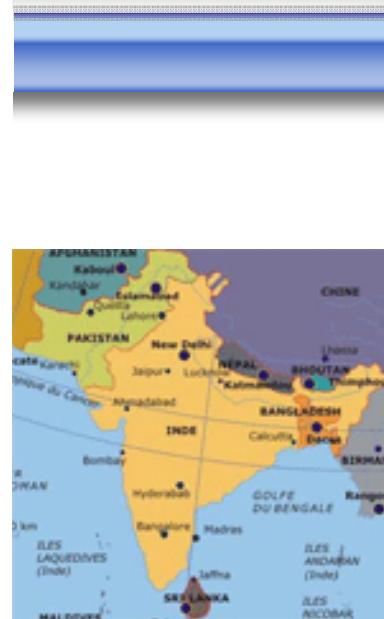
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# Multidrug resistance patterns of NDM-1 producers

	UK (n=37)		Chennai (n=44)		Haryana (n=26)	
	MIC <sub>50</sub> ; MIC <sub>90</sub> (mg/L)	Proportion susceptible*	MIC <sub>50</sub> ; MIC <sub>90</sub> (mg/L)	Proportion susceptible*	MIC <sub>50</sub> ; MIC <sub>90</sub> (mg/L)	Proportion susceptible*
Imipenem	32; 128	0%	64; 128	0%	32; 128	0%
Meropenem	32; 32	3%	32; >32	3%	>32; >32	3%
Piperacillin-tazobactam	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	0%
Cefotaxime	>256; >256	0%	>256; >256	0%	>256; >256	0%
Ceftazidime	>256; >256	0%	>256; >256	0%	>256; >256	0%
Cefpirome	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	0%
Aztreonam	>64; >64	11%	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	8%
Ciprofloxacin	>8; >8	8%	>8; >8	8%	>8; >8	8%
Gentamicin	>32; >32	3%	>32; >32	3%	>32; >32	3%
Tobramycin	>32; >32	0%	>32; >32	0%	>32; >32	0%
Amikacin	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	0%	>64; >64	0%
Minocycline	16; >32	0%	32; >32	0%	8; 16	0%
Tigecycline	1; 4	64%	4; 8	56%	1; 2	67%
Colistin	0.5; 8	89%†	1; 32	94%†	1; 2	100%†

MIC—minimum inhibitory concentration. \*Susceptibility defined by British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy and European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing breakpoints; doxycycline breakpoints were used for minocycline. †Colistin-resistant UK isolates were one isolate of *Morganella morganii* and one *Providencia* sp (both intrinsically-resistant species), also one *Klebsiella pneumoniae* and one *Enterobacter* sp.

Table: Antibiotic susceptibilities for NDM-1-positive Enterobacteriaceae isolated in the UK and north (Chennai) and south India (Haryana)



# Dissemination of NDM-1 positive bacteria in the New Delhi environment and its implications for human health: an environmental point prevalence study

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## Summary

**Background** Not all patients infected with NDM-1-positive bacteria have a history of hospital admission in India, and extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases are known to be circulating in the Indian community. We therefore measured the prevalence of the NDM-1 gene in drinking water and seepage samples in New Delhi.

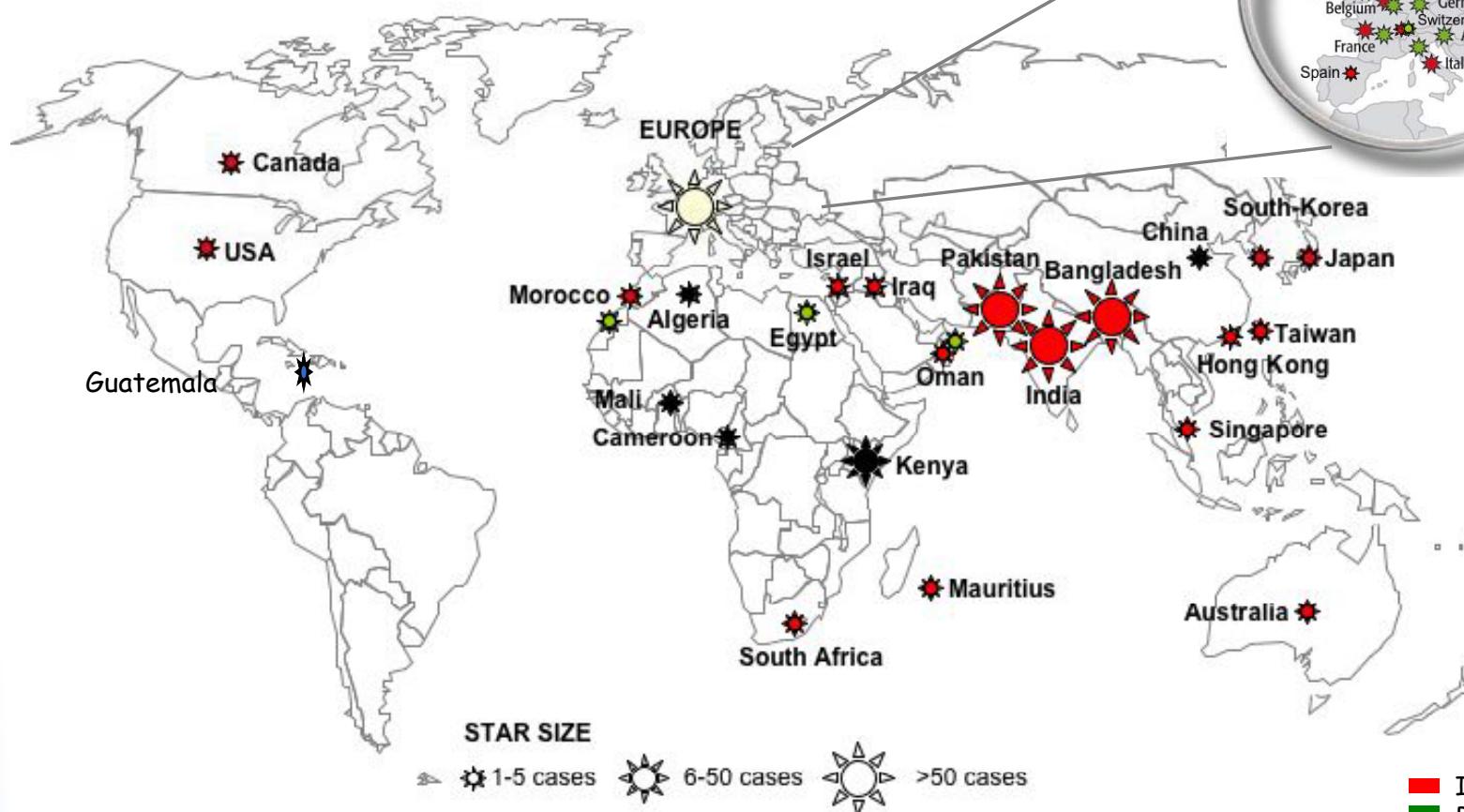
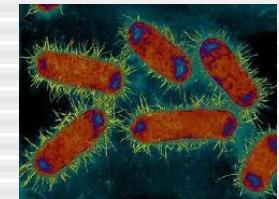
**Methods** Swabs absorbing about 100  $\mu$ L of seepage water (ie, water pools in streets or rivulets) and 15 mL samples of public tap water were collected from sites within a 12 km radius of central New Delhi, with each site photographed and documented. Samples were transported to the UK and tested for the presence of the NDM-1 gene, *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub>, by PCR and DNA probing. As a control group, 100  $\mu$ L sewage effluent samples were taken from the Cardiff Wastewater Treatment Works, Tremorfa, Wales. Bacteria from all samples were recovered and examined for *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> by PCR and sequencing. We identified NDM-1-positive isolates, undertook susceptibility testing, and, where appropriate, typed the isolates. We undertook Inc typing on *Ha*<sub>NDM-1</sub>-positive plasmids. Transconjugants were created to assess plasmid transfer frequency and its relation to temperature.

**Findings** From Sept 26 to Oct 10, 2010, 171 seepage samples and 50 tap water samples from New Delhi and 70 sewage effluent samples from Cardiff Wastewater Treatment Works were collected. We detected *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> in two of 50 drinking-water samples and 51 of 171 seepage samples from New Delhi; the gene was not found in any sample from Cardiff. Bacteria with *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> were grown from 12 of 171 seepage samples and two of 50 water samples, and included 11 species in which NDM-1 has not previously been reported, including *Shigella boydii* and *Vibrio cholerae*. Carriage by enterobacteria, aeromonads, and *V cholerae* was stable, generally transmissible, and associated with resistance patterns typical for NDM-1; carriage by non-fermenters was unstable in many cases and not associated with typical resistance. 20 strains of bacteria were found in the samples, 12 of which carried *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> on plasmids, which ranged in size from 140 to 400 kb. Isolates of *Aeromonas caviae* and *V cholerae* carried *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> on chromosomes. Conjugative transfer was more common at 30°C than at 25°C or 37°C.

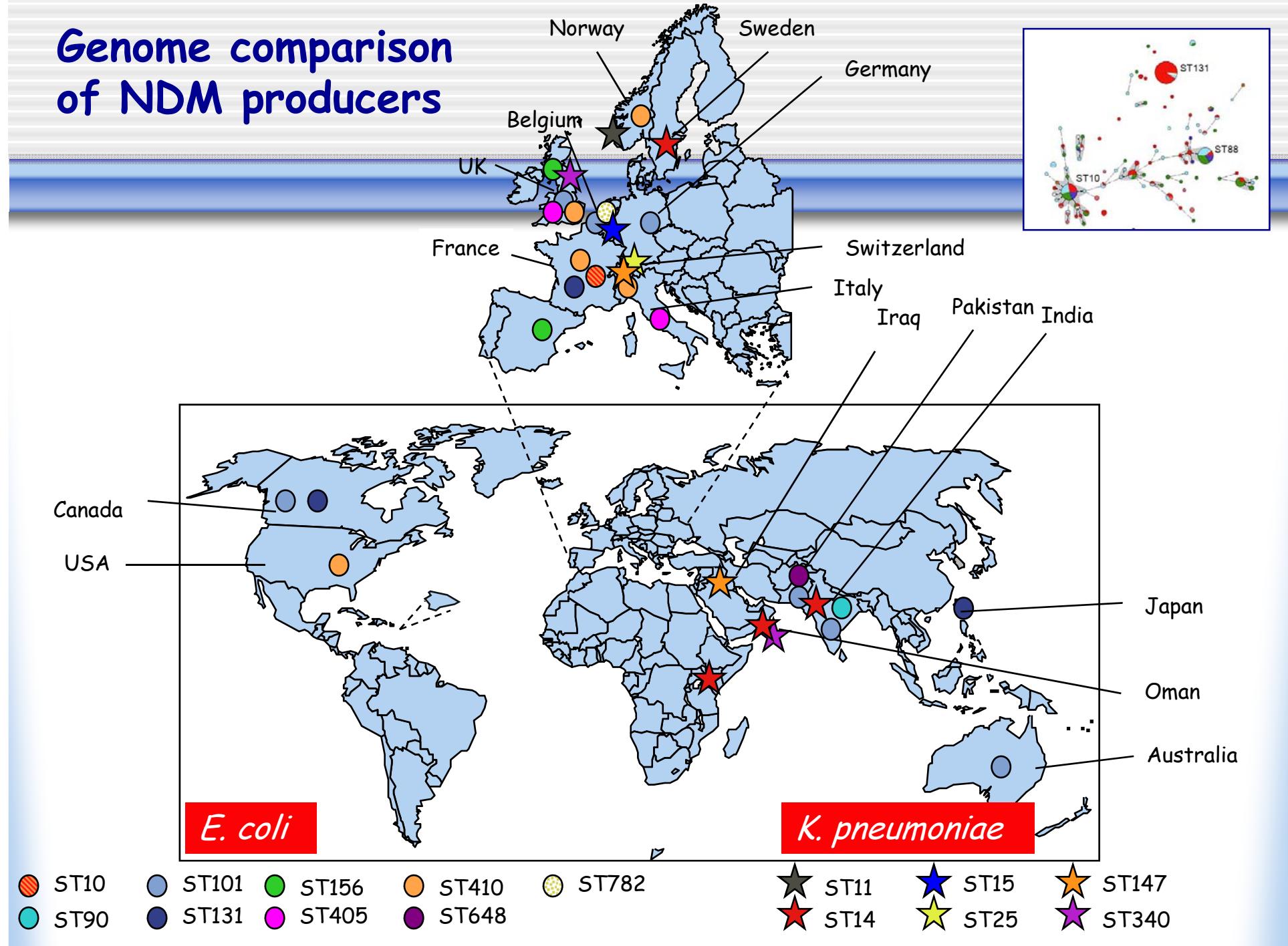
**Interpretation** The presence of NDM-1  $\beta$ -lactamase-producing bacteria in environmental samples in New Delhi has important implications for people living in the city who are reliant on public water and sanitation facilities. International surveillance of resistance, incorporating environmental sampling as well as examination of clinical isolates, needs to be established as a priority.

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## Worldwide distribution of carbapenemases NDM-2012

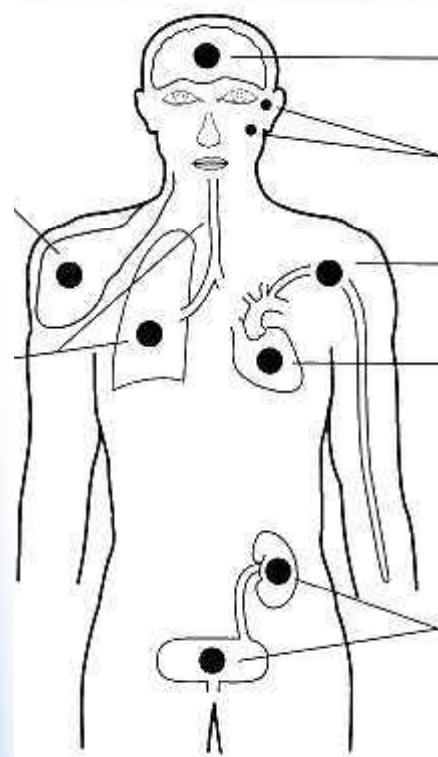


# Genome comparison of NDM producers



# Infections with NDM producers

*E. coli, Klebsiella, Enterobacter, Serratia, Citrobacter, Pseudomonas, Acinetobacter*



Asymptomatic colonisation

Wound infection / Diabetic foot

Lower urinary tract infection

Upper urinary tract infection

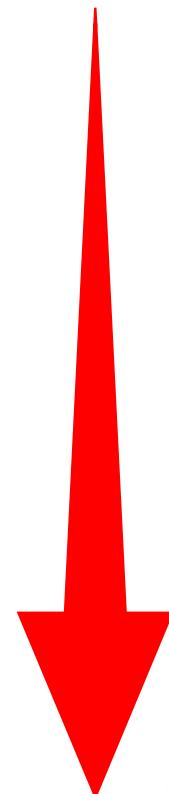
Nosocomial pneumonia / VAP

Intra-abdominal / pelvic infection

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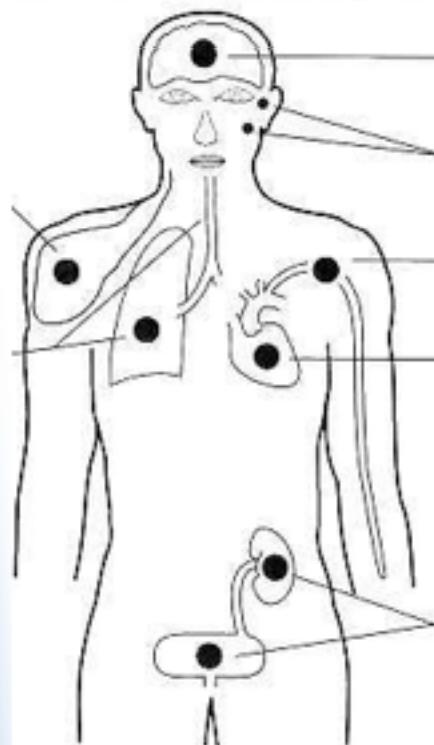
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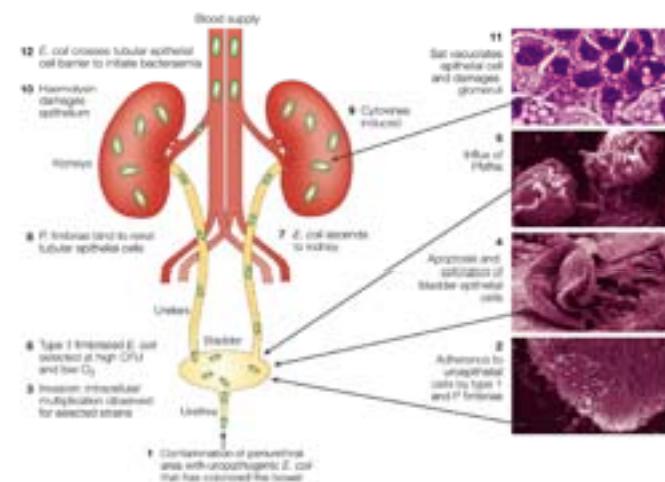
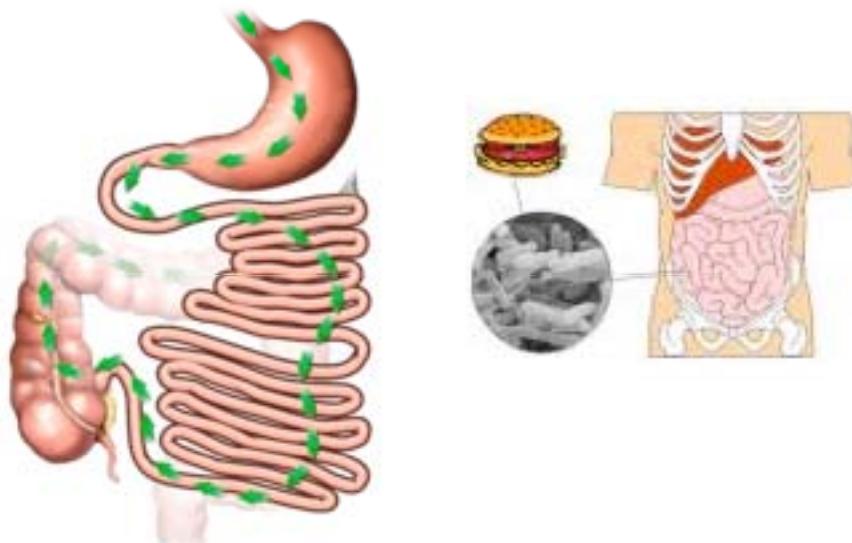
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- No difference between NDM and non-NDM producers
- No known virulence factors for NDM producers
- NDM producers will not respond to conventional antibiotics !!!

# *Escherichia coli*

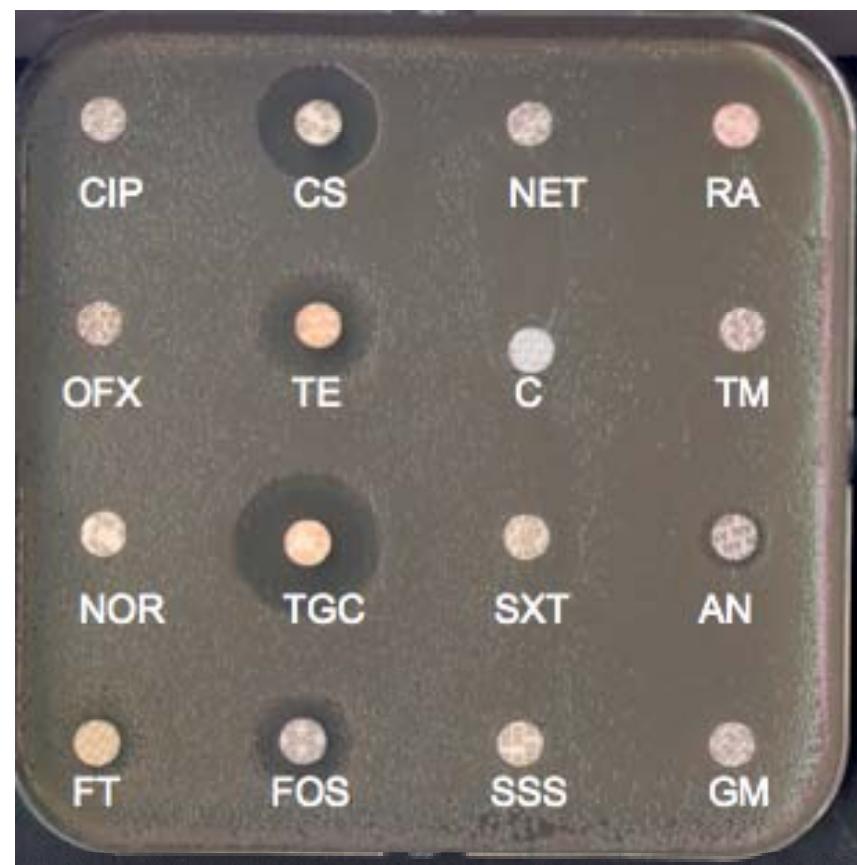
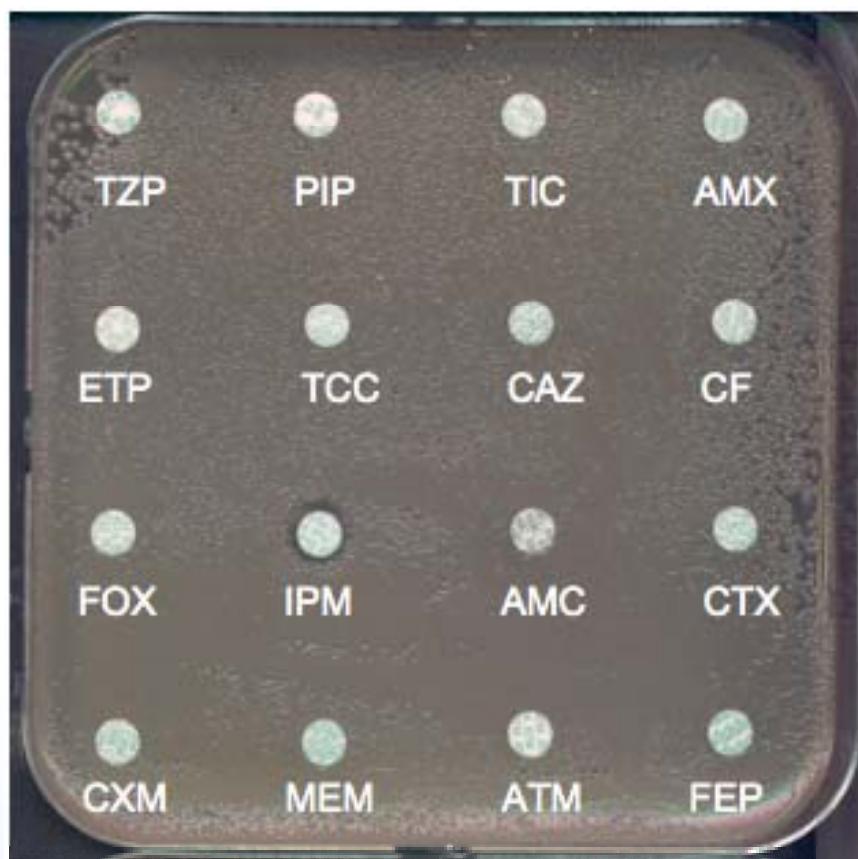
- 1st human bacterial pathogen
- 1st community-acquired pathogen
- 1st cause of urinary tract infections and diarrhea



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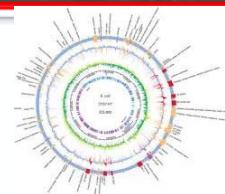
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### Chromosome

OmpC deficiency

Multiresistance

OmpF deficiency

Mutliresistance

AmpC  
cephalosporinase

β-lactam R

GyrA, ParC

Fluoroquinolone R



### Plasmids

NDM-1, CTX-M-15

Broad-spectrum β-lactam R

TEM-1, OXA-1, OXA-9, OXA-10,

Narrow-spectrum β-lactam R

ArmA, RmtB, AAC6'

Broad-spectrum aminoglycoside R

AphA, AAC3'

Chloramphenicol R

Acetylase

Rifampin R

Ribosylase

Quinolone R

QepA

Macrolide R

ErmB, mel, mphB

Bleomycin R

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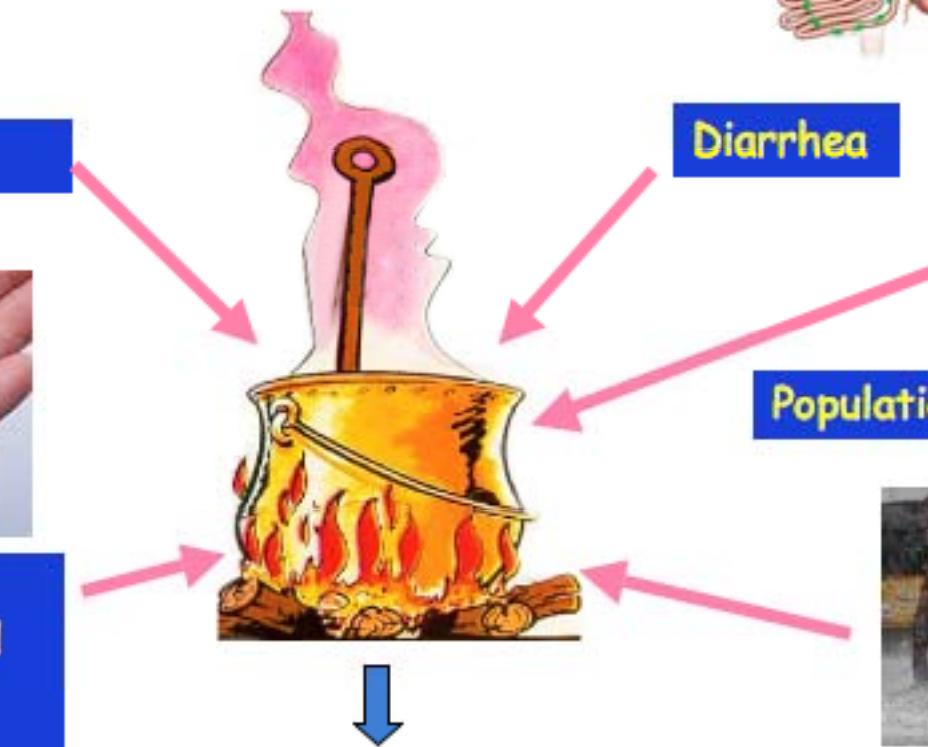
# A successful story



Hygiene



Antibiotics; misuse and  
overuse,  
over-the-counter sale



Diarrhea

Population; overcrowded

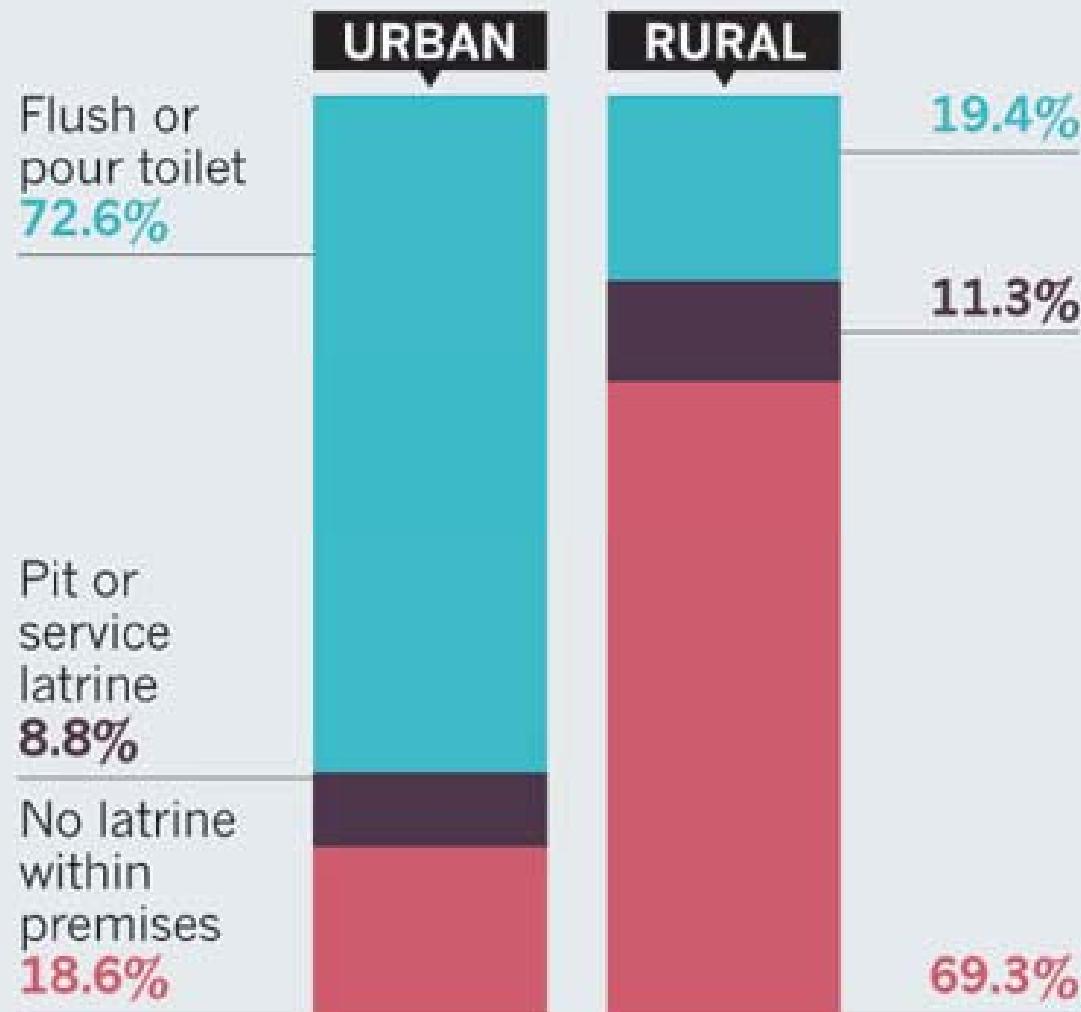


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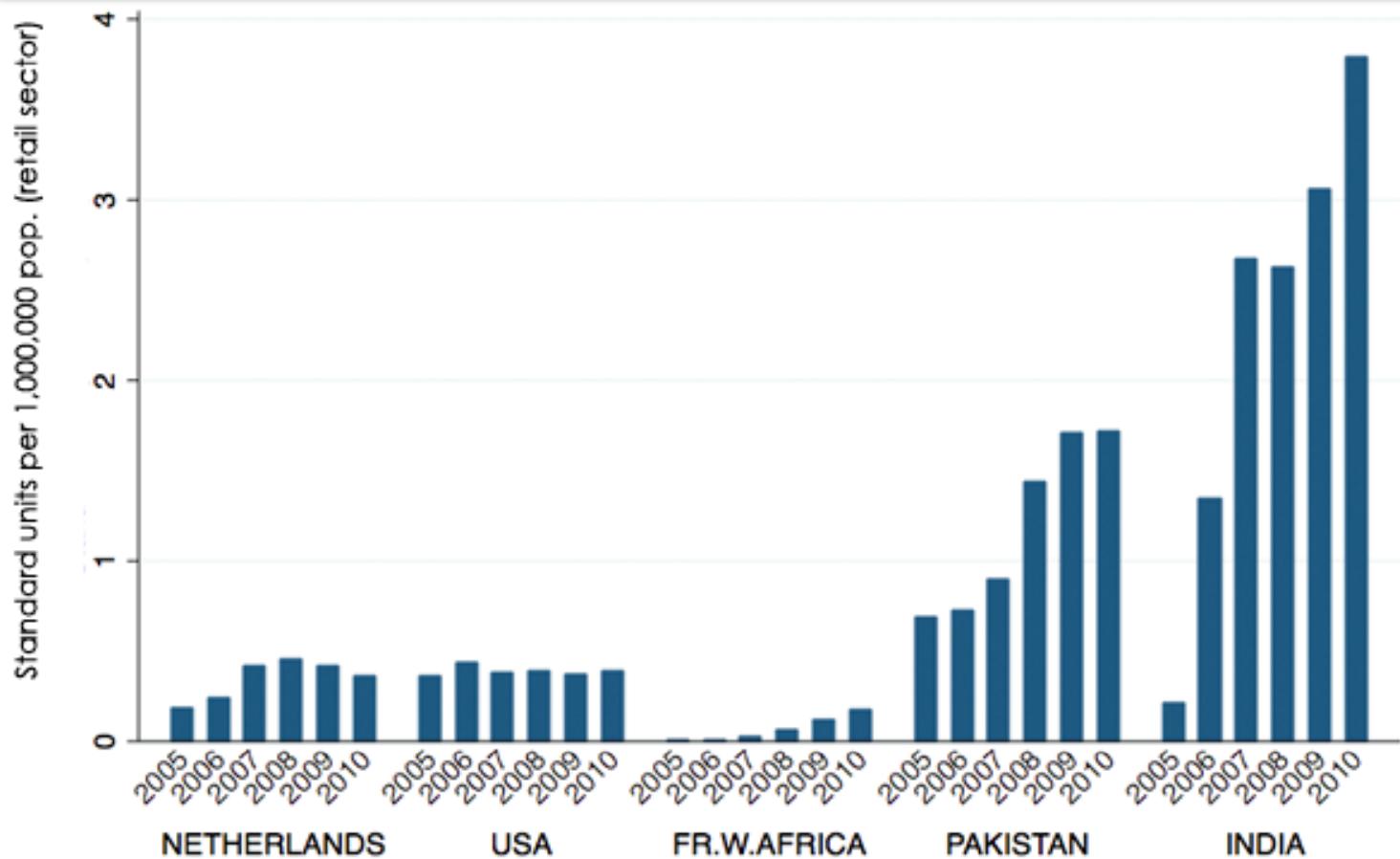
Subtropical continent

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City dwellers are more likely than people in rural areas to have flushing toilets, but only one-third of those toilets are connected to underground sewers; the rest go to septic tanks.



## Retail sales of carbapenem antibiotics to treat Gram-negative bacteria are increasing rapidly in India and Pakistan



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## Prevalence of faecal carriage of Enterobacteriaceae with NDM-1 carbapenemase at military hospitals in Pakistan, and evaluation of two chromogenic media

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**Objectives:** To determine the prevalence and antimicrobial susceptibility of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae among hospitalized patients and outpatients attending two military hospitals in Rawalpindi, Pakistan, and to compare the performance of two chromogenic culture media for the isolation of these organisms.

**Methods:** Stool samples from 200 distinct patients were cultured on MacConkey agar and subsequently on two chromogenic media—Colorex KPC and a prototype chromogenic medium, ID Carbo—designed for the isolation of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae. All Gram-negative isolates growing on either chromogenic medium were investigated for carbapenemases by phenotypic and molecular methods. Producers were subjected to susceptibility testing with 40 antimicrobials by VITEK 2 or agar dilution.

**Results:** In total, 64 NDM-1-positive isolates of Enterobacteriaceae, belonging to seven distinct species, were recovered from 37 (18.5%) of the stool samples. No other carbapenemase types were confirmed. Nineteen

samples among 130 from outpatients (prevalence 13.8%). Fifty-six isolates (87.5%) harbouring the NDM-1 enzyme were recovered on ID Carbo compared with 41 isolates (64.1%) on Colorex KPC ( $P=0.012$ ). Multidrug resistance was prevalent, but no pan-resistant isolates were found, with most isolates susceptible *in vitro* to colistin (97%), mecillinam (95%), fosfomycin (94%), tigecycline (89%) and nitrofurantoin (78%).

**Conclusions:** This study shows a high prevalence of multidrug-resistant Enterobacteriaceae with the NDM-1 enzyme in Rawalpindi. The new chromogenic medium, ID Carbo, was more sensitive than Colorex KPC and has potential as a screening medium for isolation of Enterobacteriaceae harbouring the NDM-1 enzyme.

**Keywords:**  $\beta$ -lactamases, antimicrobial resistance mechanisms, *Escherichia coli*

# *E. coli* NDM-1: community-acquired ! in India



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The plasmid-mediated *bla<sub>NDM-1</sub>* gene that encodes a powerful carbapenemase was first identified in *Escherichia coli* and in *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in Sweden from a patient who was transferred from India.<sup>1</sup> It was then identified from many patients in the UK, India, and Pakistan in different enterobacterial species.<sup>2</sup> Here we report a woman aged 60 years who was admitted to hospital in April, 2009, for treatment of a breast cancer.

The patient came from Darjeeling, India, where she had lived for several years and had never been hospitalised. Upon her admission in France, bacterial cultures from the surface of her breast tumour were grown. The cultures were of the *E. coli* isolate GUE that was resistant to most  $\beta$ -lactams (remaining susceptible to aztreonam) and that had reduced susceptibility to carbapenems (minimum inhibitory concentrations of imipenem 3  $\mu$ g/ml, ertapenem 3  $\mu$ g/ml, and meropenem 2  $\mu$ g/ml).<sup>3</sup> This isolate was also resistant to gentamicin, kanamycin, tobramycin, sulfonamides, tetracycline, and fluoroquinolones, but remained susceptible to amikacin, chloramphenicol, rifampicin, and colistin. PCR and sequencing revealed that *E. coli* GUE harboured the *bla<sub>NDM-1</sub>* gene. Mating-out assays<sup>4</sup> allowed the *bla<sub>NDM-1</sub>* gene to be identified on a 110 kb plasmid, with markers for kanamycin, gentamicin, tobramycin, trimethoprim, and sulfonamide resistance. Multilocus sequence typing<sup>5</sup> identified *E. coli* GUE as an ST131-type strain, which corresponds to a genetic background that is also responsible for the worldwide diffusion of another

common resistance determinant, CTX-M-15.

This case is the first identification of an NDM-1-producing *E. coli* isolate in France, and corresponds again to an imported case from India. This example confirms the recent data suggesting that the Indian subcontinent might represent an important reservoir, and therefore a source, of NDM-producing isolates. The patient had not been hospitalised in India; therefore, the multidrug-resistant isolate had likely been community acquired. Woringly, this resistance gene has been identified here in an *E. coli* strain belonging to a genotype that has proved its ability to disseminate widely in the community.

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# Correspondence

## **Emergence of an Autochthonous and Community-Acquired NDM-1-Producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in Europe**

**TO THE EDITOR**—The recently identified carbapenemase New Delhi metallo- $\beta$ -lactamase (NDM-1) inactivates all  $\beta$ -lactams except aztreonam [1]. The corresponding gene that is usually plasmid-borne has spread mostly in *Escherichia coli* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* [1, 2]. NDM-1 producers are multidrug resistant or even resistant to all antibiotics [1, 2]. Whereas contamination with NDM-1 producers is mostly hospital associated, rare cases of community acquisition are known and have been traced to the Indian subcontinent [2].

Here, we report a woman aged 83 years who had cystitis due to a multidrug-resistant *K. pneumoniae* in June 2011. She had a history of multiple and recurrent episodes of urinary tract infections caused by diverse Enterobacteriaceae that were always treated with narrow-spectrum antibiotics. Because the patient's symptoms tended to disappear spontaneously and rapidly, the latest cystitis episode had not been treated.

*K. pneumoniae* EDU was resistant to all  $\beta$ -lactams, including carbapenems, as detected with a Vitek-2 automated suscep-

Polymerase chain reaction, sequencing, and plasmid analysis, performed as described elsewhere [5], revealed that *K. pneumoniae* EDU harbored the *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> carbapenemase gene and the *bla*<sub>CTX-M-15</sub> extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase gene, which were located on 2 different plasmids (both being approximately 150 kb in size). The isolate coexpressed the CMY-2 cephalosporinase gene, which was located on the *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> plasmid. In addition, it possessed the *qnrB* gene encoding resistance to quinolones and the *bla*<sub>OXA-1</sub> gene encoding a restricted-spectrum oxacillinase, both genes being located on the *bla*<sub>CTX-M-15</sub> plasmid. Both plasmids were self-transferable by conjugation, and the *bla*<sub>NDM-1</sub> plasmid was found to be of the IncA/C broad-host range type [6]. Multilocus sequence typing [7] results showed that *K. pneumoniae* EDU belonged to the sequence type 1, whereas previously reported NDM-1-positive *K. pneumoniae* isolates were of other sequence types (eg, ST14 and ST147) [6].

Neither this patient nor her husband had traveled to any country in the previous 3 years, including countries with a high prevalence of NDM-1 producers (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, United Kingdom, Balkan states, and Middle Eastern nations)

of NDM-1 producers outside its main reservoir (Indian subcontinent). The source of contamination remains unknown but may be difficult to find, because persistence of NDM-1 producers in human flora has been evidenced to be >1 year [9].

This present report may indicate the ongoing spread of NDM producers in the community worldwide. A nightmare perspective could be its spread similar to that reported for extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases of the CTX-M-type, which are now uncontrolled.

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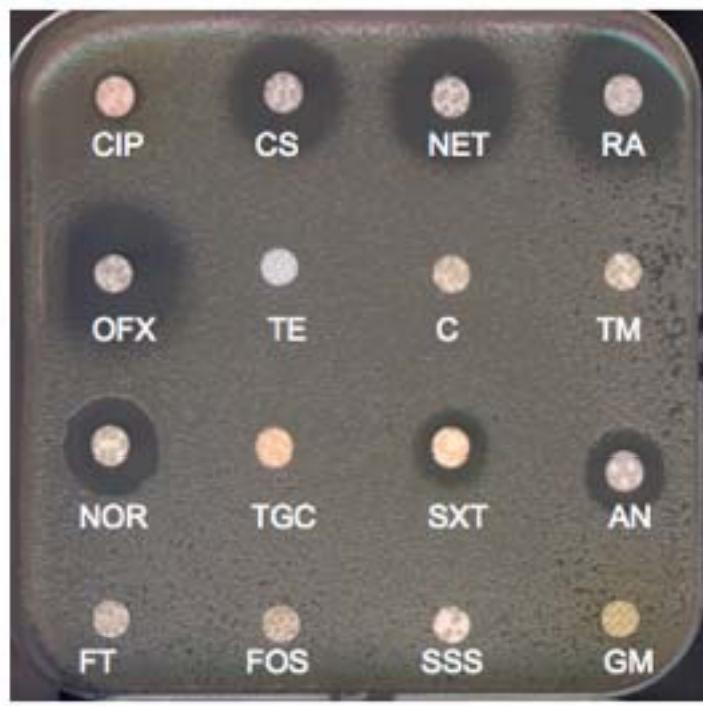
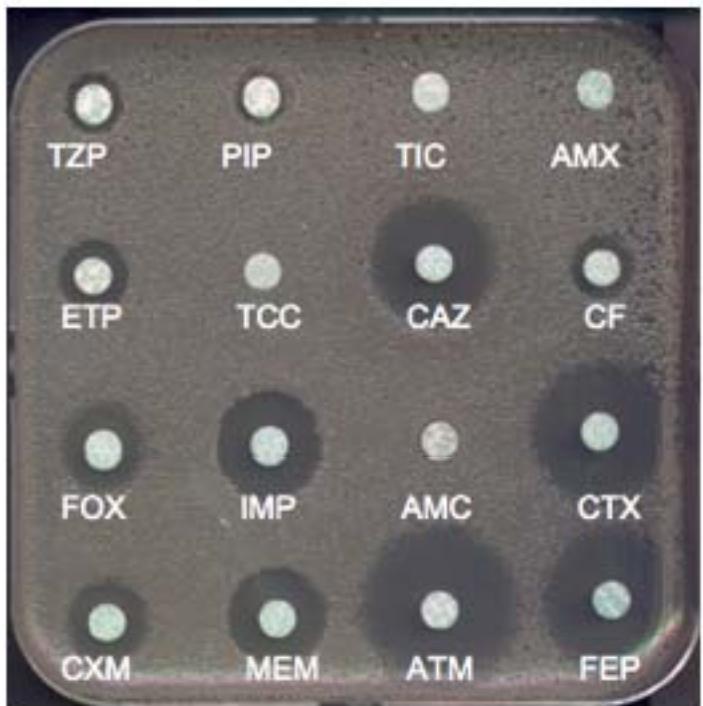
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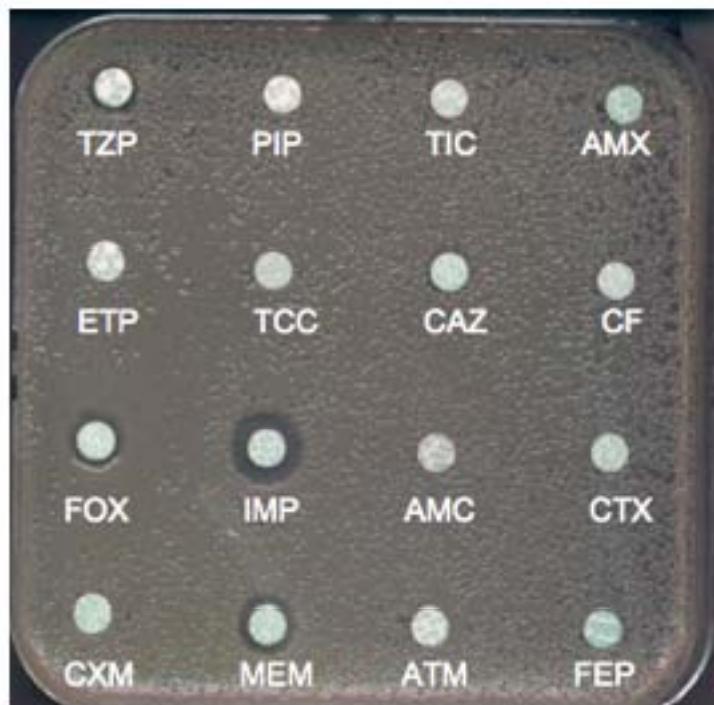
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Ambler class					
A	Penicillinases: KPC, IMI, GES..				
B		Metallo-enzymes: VIM, IMP, NDM-1			
D		Oxacillinases =OXA-48, OXA-181			
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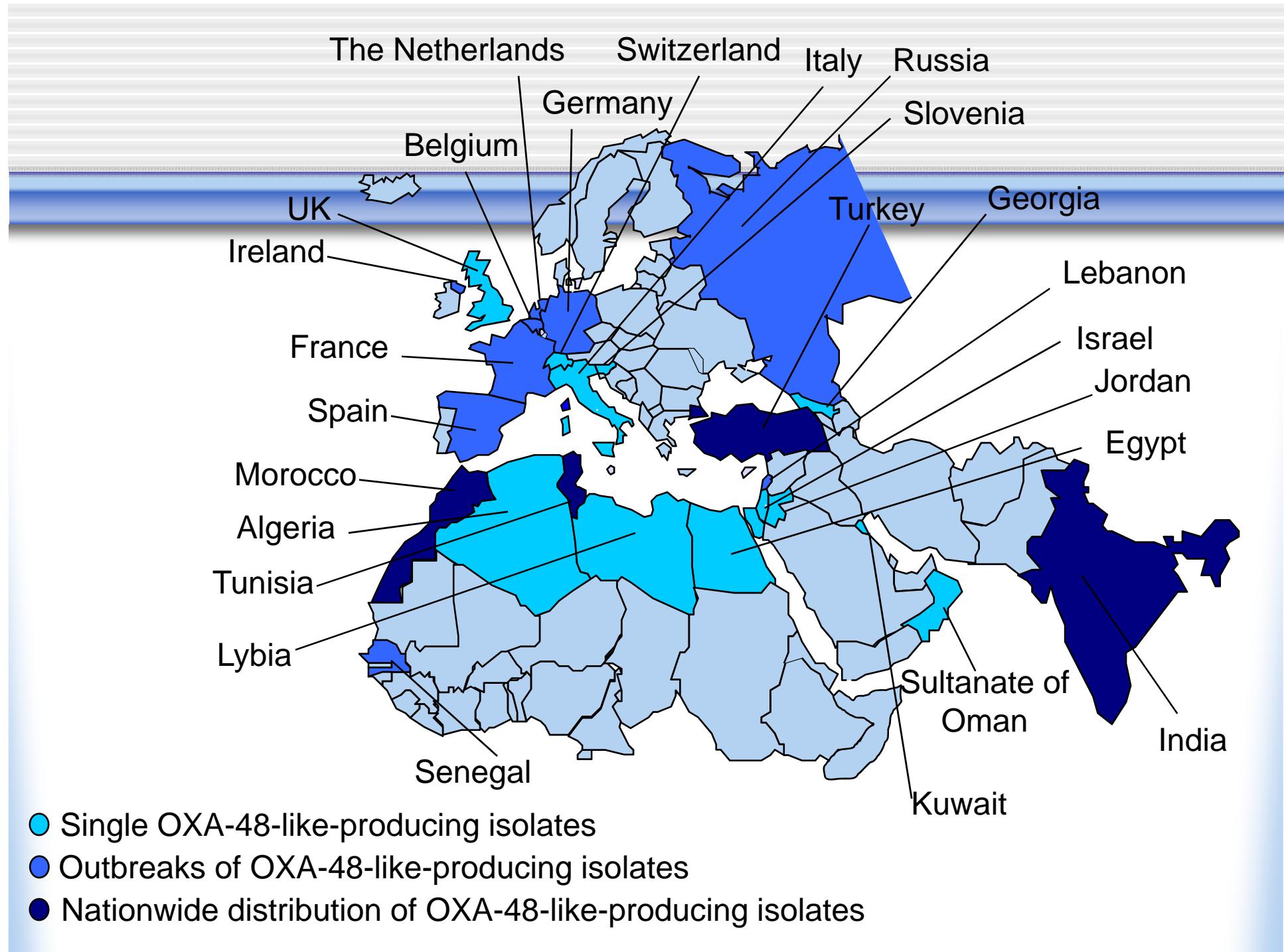
# OXA-48



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# **OXA-48 + CTX-M-15**





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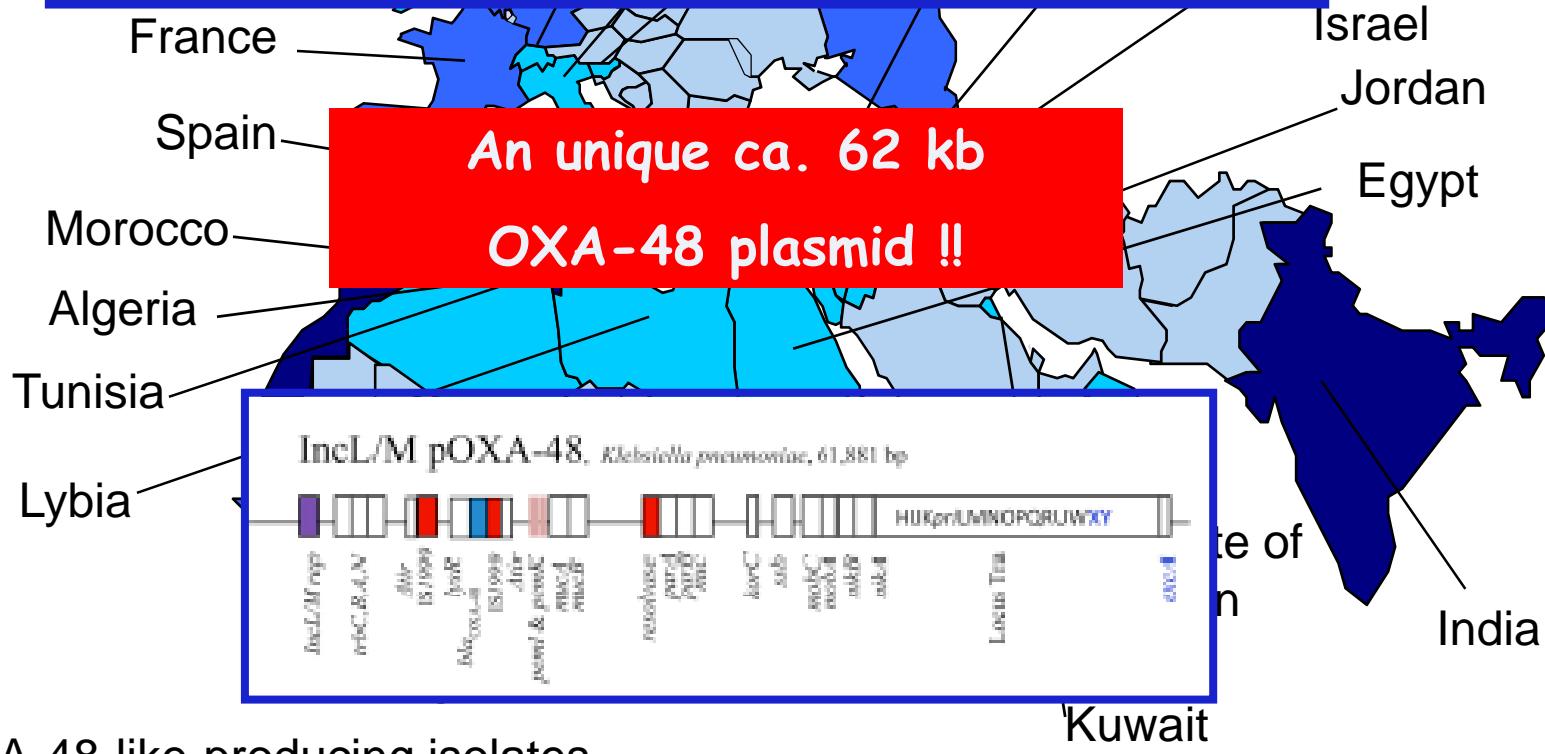
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## Genetic Features of the Widespread Plasmid Coding for the Carbapenemase OXA-48

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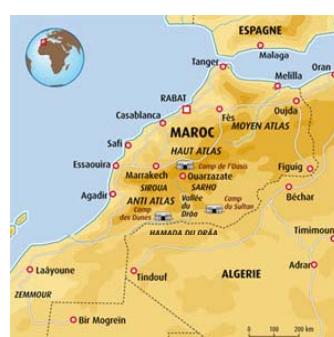


- Single OXA-48-like-producing isolates
- Outbreaks of OXA-48-like-producing isolates
- Nationwide distribution of OXA-48-like-producing isolates

# European dissemination of a single OXA-48-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* clone

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## Outbreak of OXA-48-Positive Carbapenem-Resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Isolates in France<sup>V</sup>

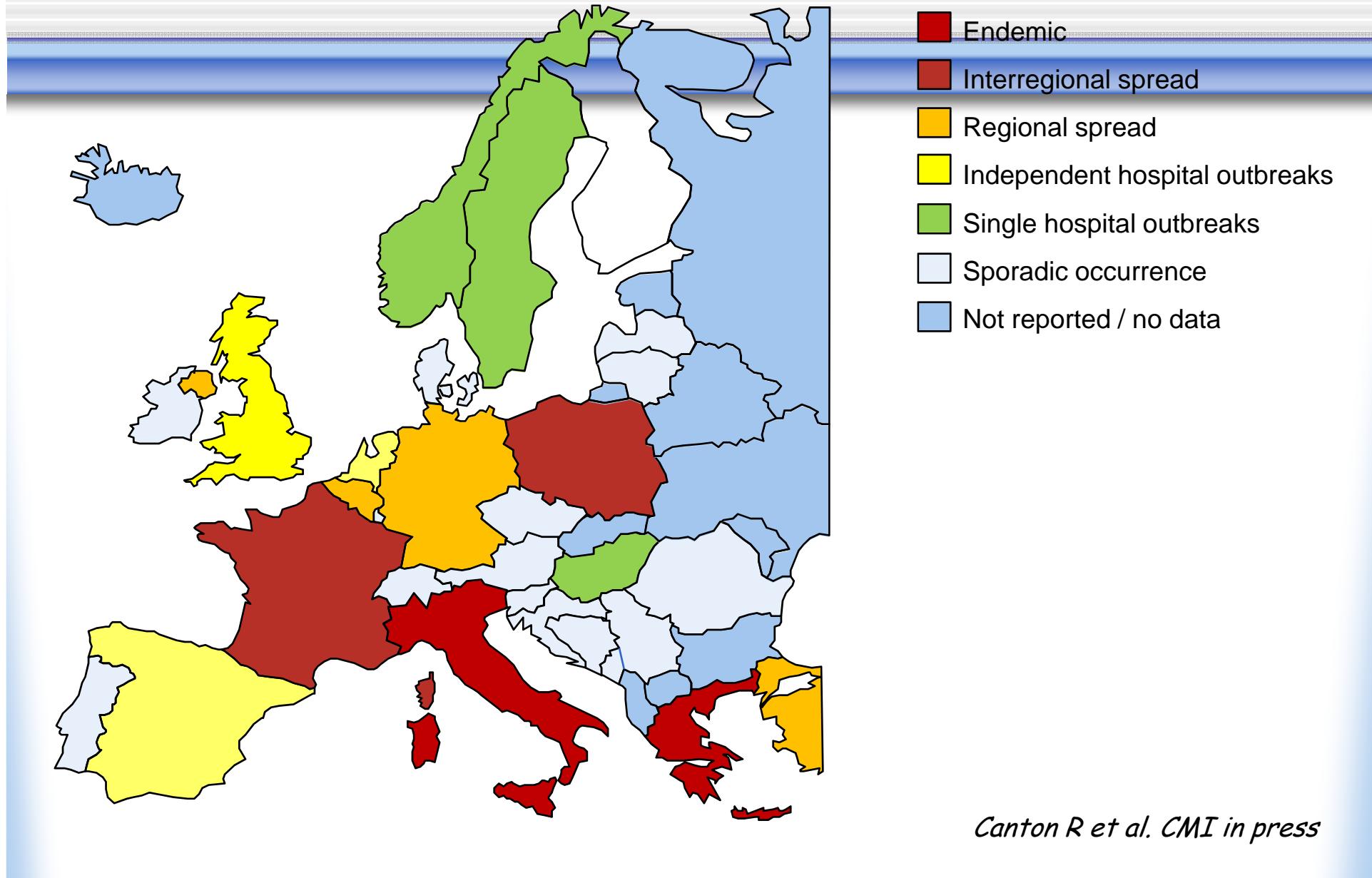
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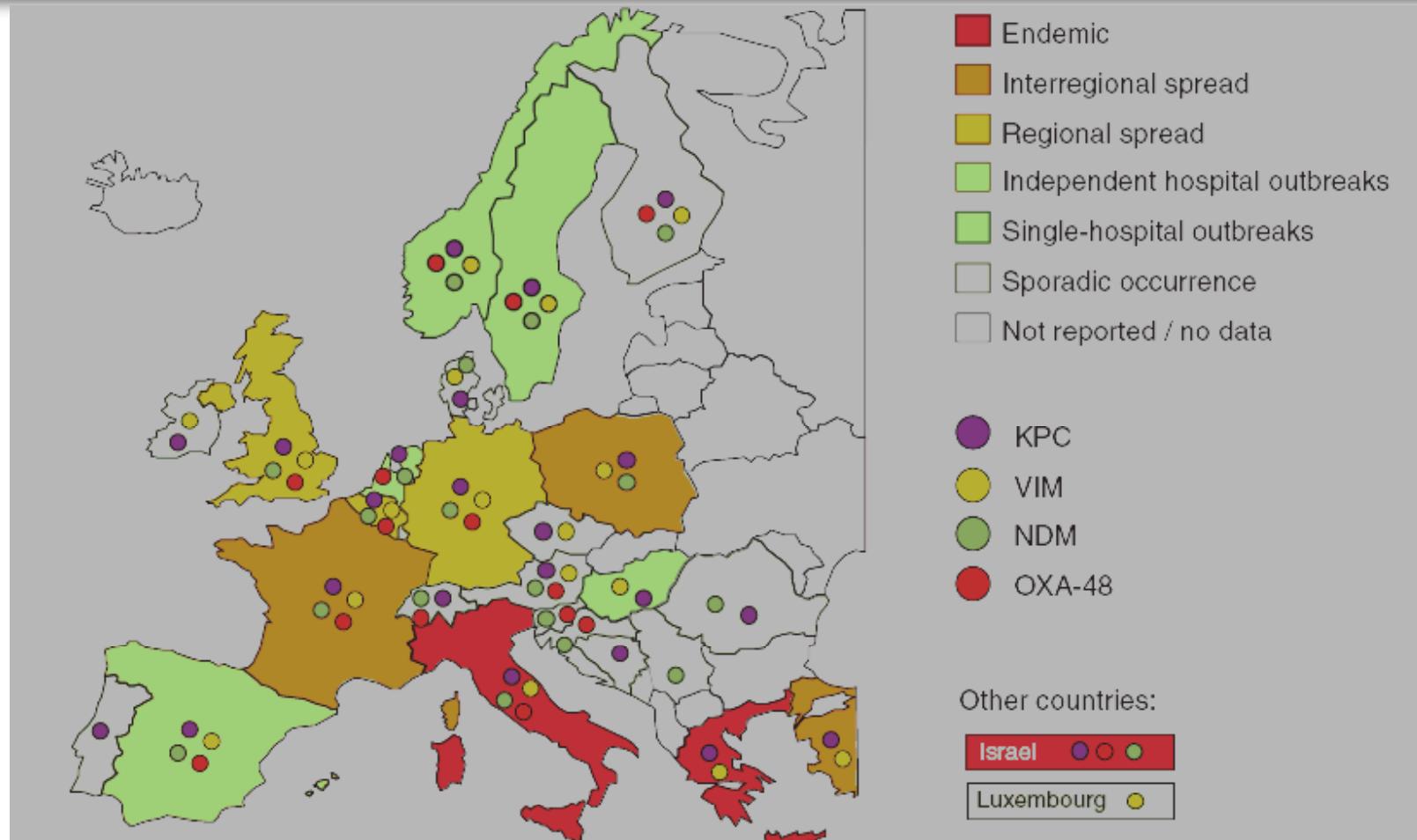
Seventeen *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolates producing the OXA-48 carbapenemase, obtained from 10 patients hospitalized from April to June 2010, mostly in the medical intensive care unit of the Villeneuve-Saint-Georges Hospital in a suburb of Paris, France, were analyzed. Seven patients were infected, of whom five were treated at least with a carbapenem, and five patients died. Molecular analysis showed that the isolates belonged to a single clone that harbored a 70-kb plasmid carrying the *bla*<sub>OXA-48</sub> gene and coproduced CTX-M-15 and TEM-1  $\beta$ -lactamases. This is the first reported outbreak of OXA-48-producing *K. pneumoniae* isolates in France.

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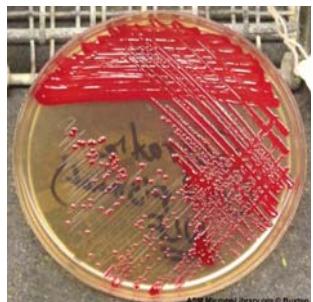
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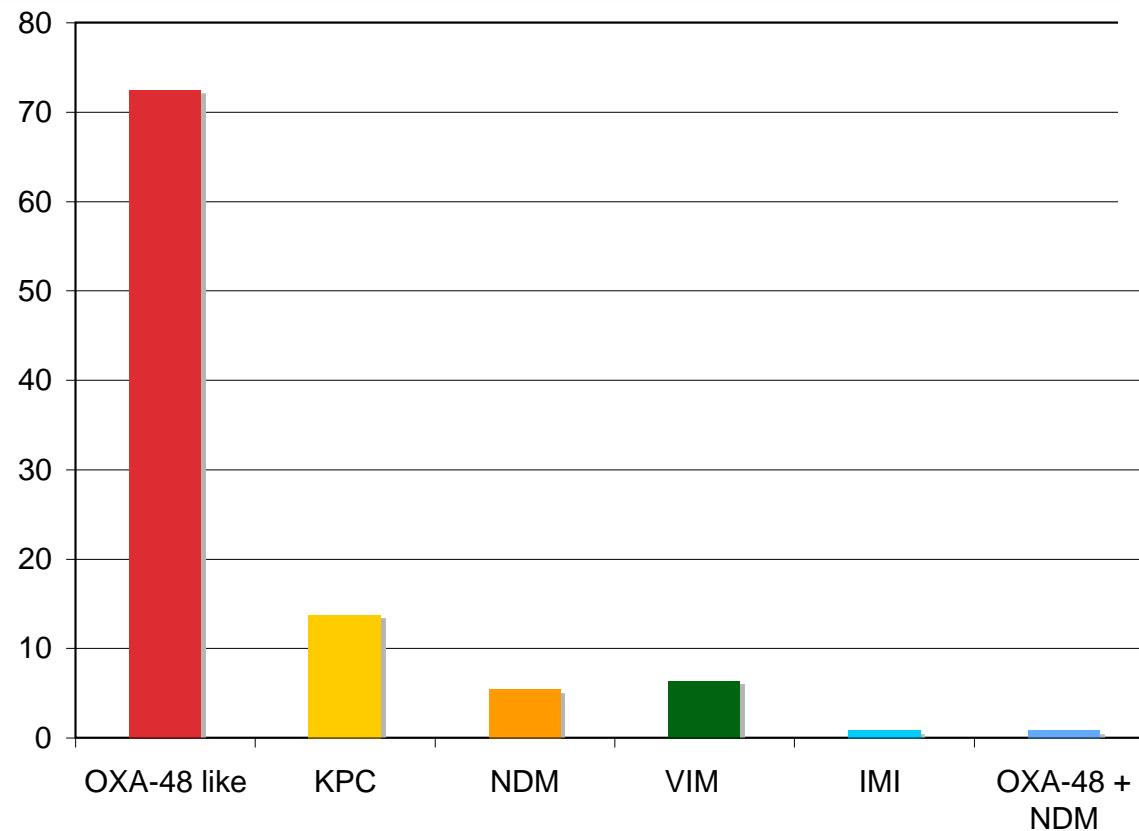
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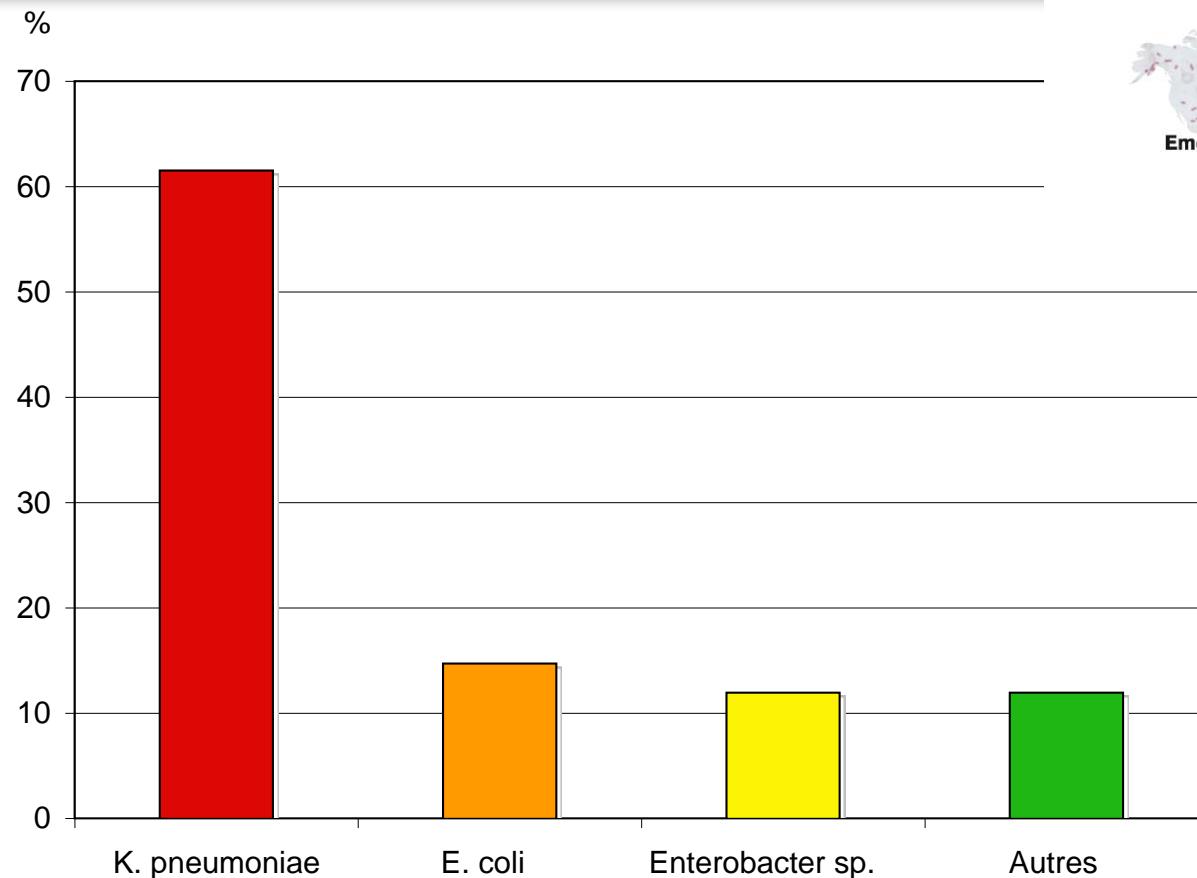


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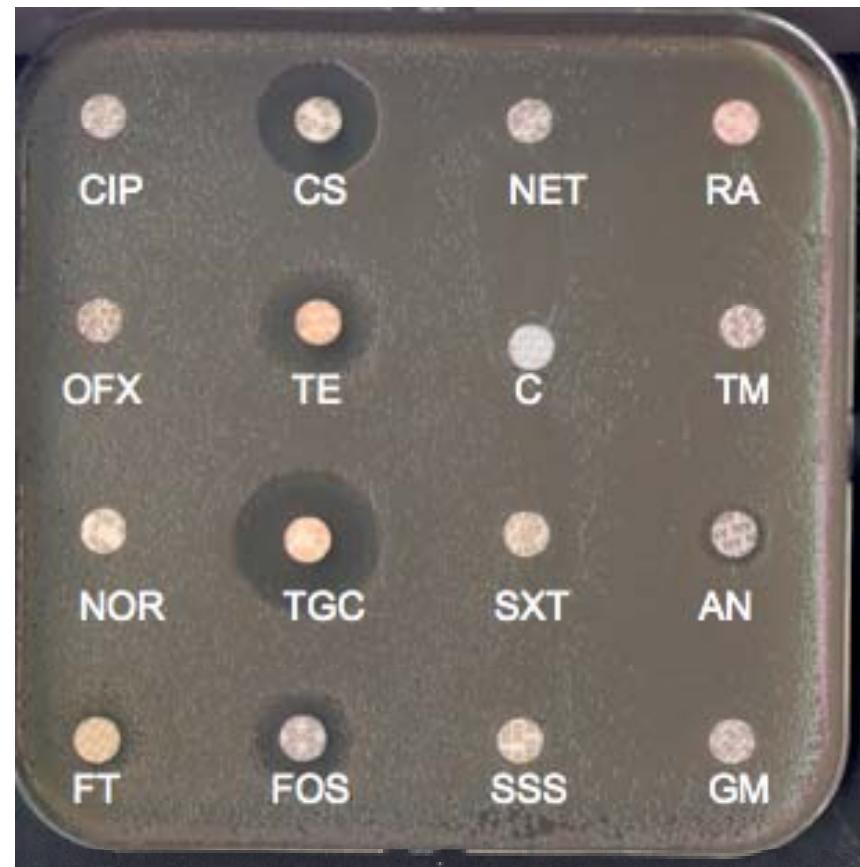
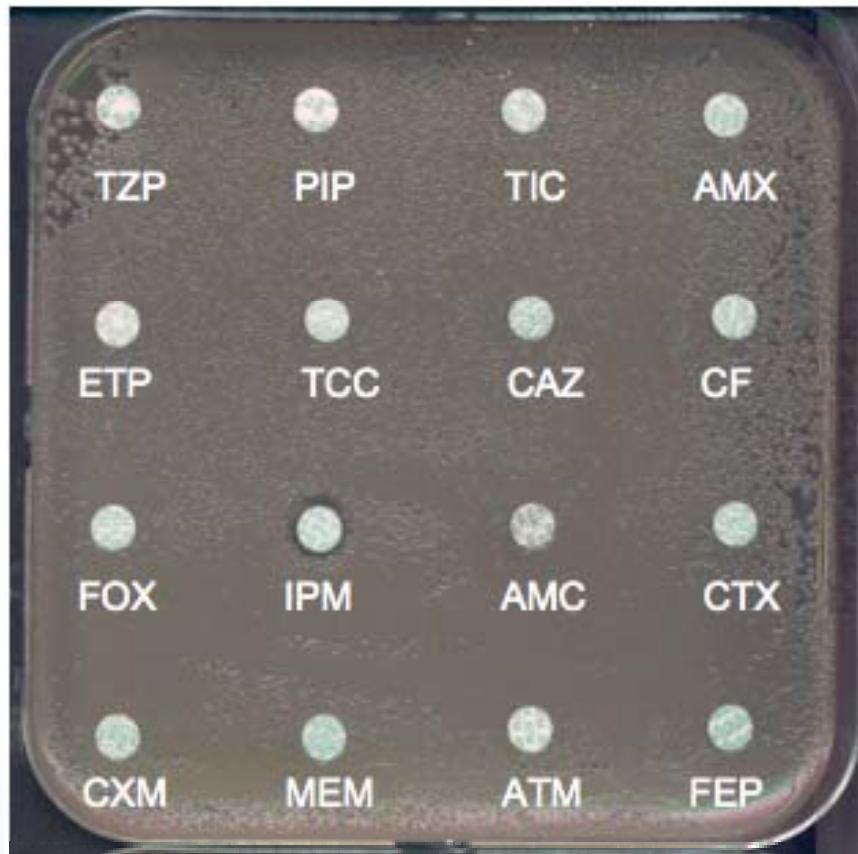
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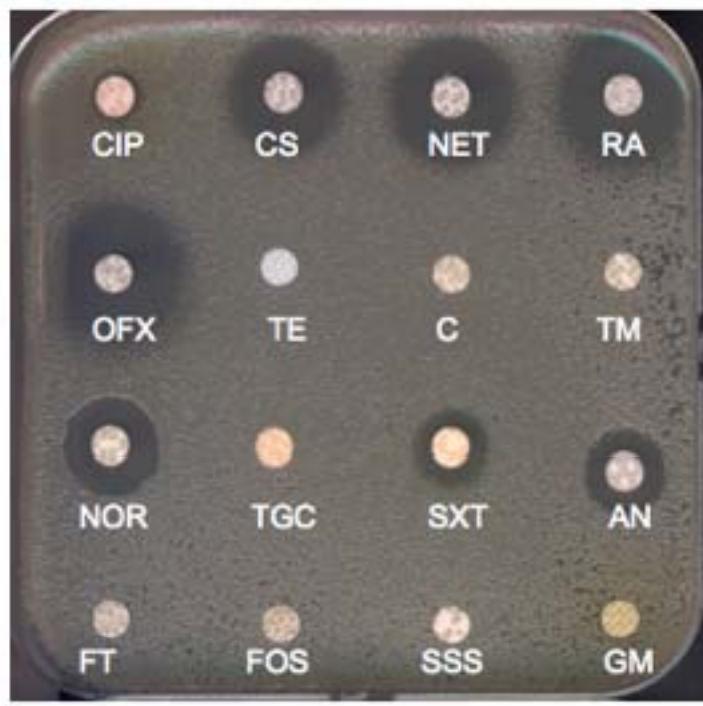
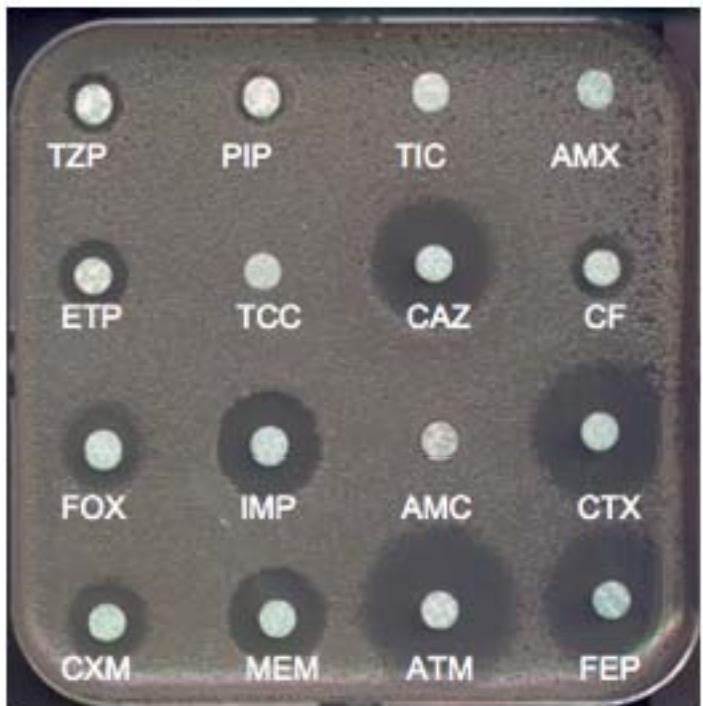
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# When to suspect carbapenemase production ?



# OXA-48



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## Carbapenem breakpoints in *Enterobacteriaceae*-2011

	FDA <b>S</b>	CLSI		EUCAST	
		<b>S</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>R</b>
Imipenem	≤4	≤1	≥4	≤2	>8
Meropenem	≤4	≤1	≥4	≤2	>8
Ertapenem	≤2	≤0.25	≥1	≤0.5	>1
Doripenem	≤0.5	≤1	≥4	≤1	>4

## Comparison of BD Phoenix, Vitek 2, and MicroScan Automated Systems for Detection and Inference of Mechanisms Responsible for Carbapenem Resistance in *Enterobacteriaceae*<sup>▽</sup>

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We assessed the ability of three commercial systems to infer carbapenem resistance mechanisms in 39 carbapenemase-producing and 16 other carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae*. The sensitivity/specificity values for “flagging” a likely carbapenemase were 100%/0% (BD Phoenix), 82 to 85%/6 to 19% (MicroScan), and 74%/38% (Vitek 2), respectively. OXA-48 producers were poorly detected, but all systems reliably detected isolates with KPC and most with metallo-carbapenemases.

	N°. Isolates								
	Phoenix		Microscan NM36		Microscan NBC39		Vitek 2		
	Pos	Neg	Pos	Neg	Pos	Neg	Pos	Neg	
KPC ( <i>n</i> =8)	8	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	
MBL (IMP, VIM, NDM; <i>n</i> =20)	20	0	19	1 <sup>a</sup>	20	0	16	4 <sup>a</sup>	
OXA-48 ( <i>n</i> =11)	11	0	6	5	4	7	5	6	
<i>E. coli/Klebsiella</i> spp., ESBL/porin loss ( <i>n</i> =10)	10	0	10	0	8	2	8	2	
<i>Enterobacter</i> spp., AmpC/ESBL, porin ( <i>n</i> =6)	6	0	5	1	5	1	2	4	

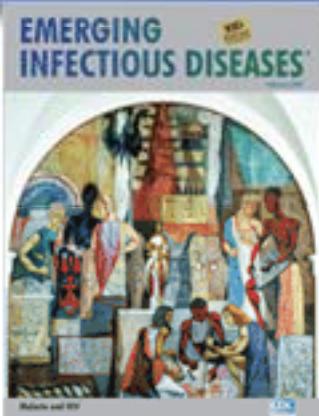
# Reasons for such an heterogeneity

- Variability of the strains genetic background (+/- impermeability and +/- other  $\beta$ -lactamases)
- Variability of the  $\beta$ -lactamase variant (+/- strong carbapenemase activity)
- Variability of genetic support:  
chromosomal (1 copy) vs plasmid (+/- high copy number)
- Variability of gene expression:  
+/- strong promoter  
position of the gene cassette if integron-encoded

## However...

- Carbapenem non-susceptible isolates do not necessarily produce carbapenemases
  - ⇒ ESBL production + permeability defects may lead to resistance, in particular to ertapenem
  - ⇒ AmpC production + permeability defects may lead to resistance, including to imipenem

# ESBL + decreased outer membrane permeability

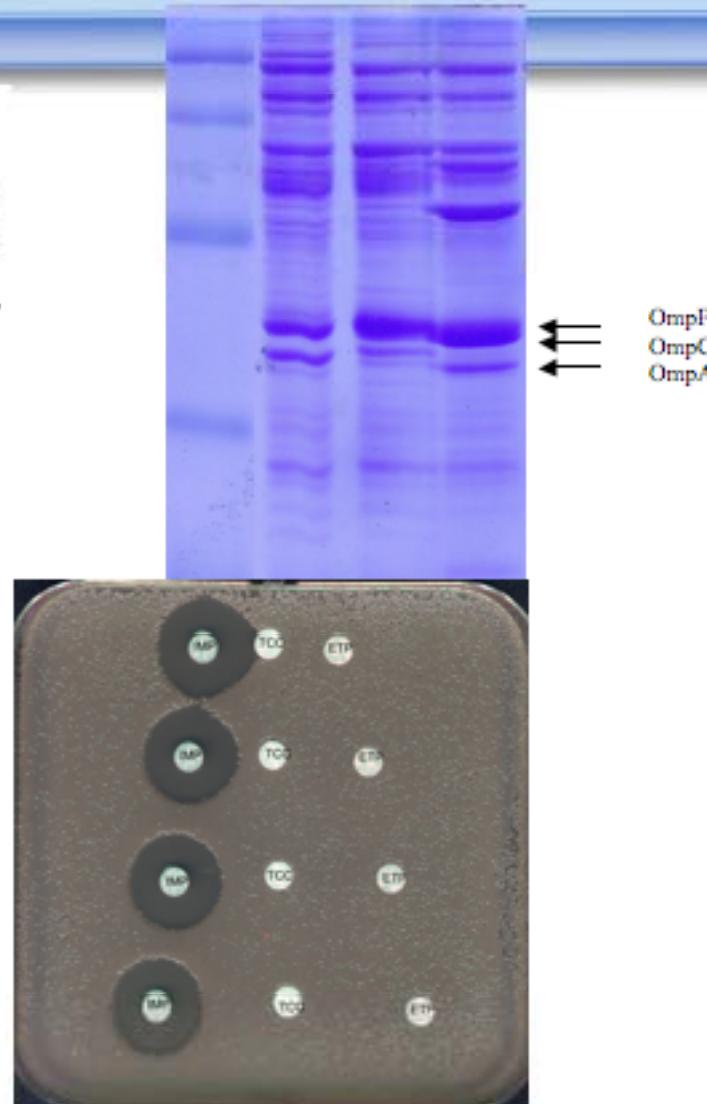


## Ertapenem Resistance of *Escherichia coli*

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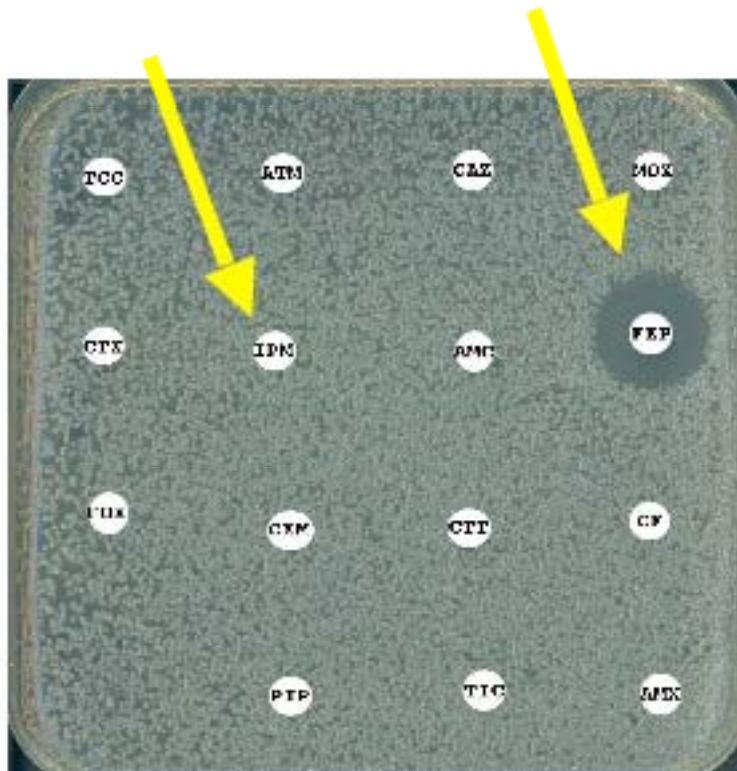
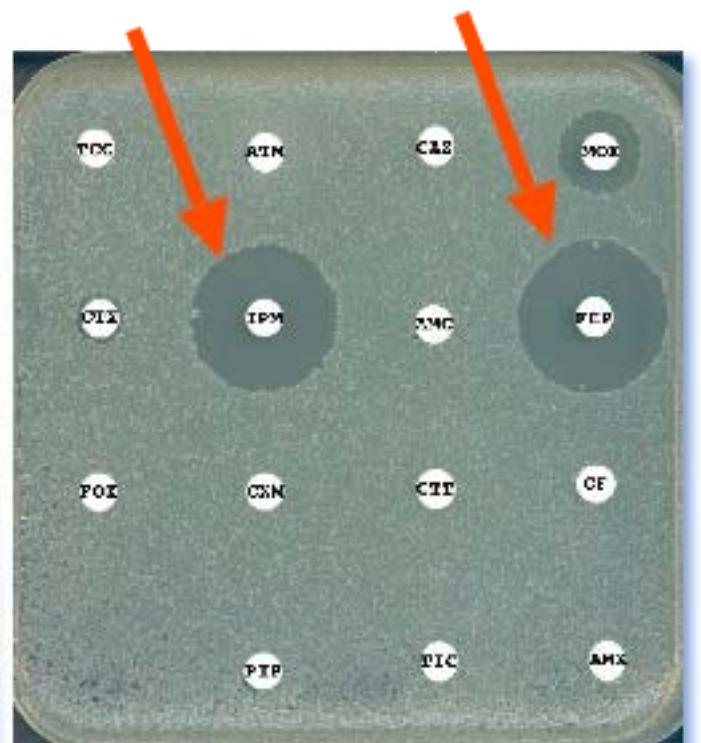
An ertapenem-resistant *Escherichia coli* isolate was recovered from peritoneal fluid in a patient who had been treated with imipenem/cilastatin for 10 days. Ertapenem resistance may be explained by a defect in the outer membrane protein and production of extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase CTX-M-2.



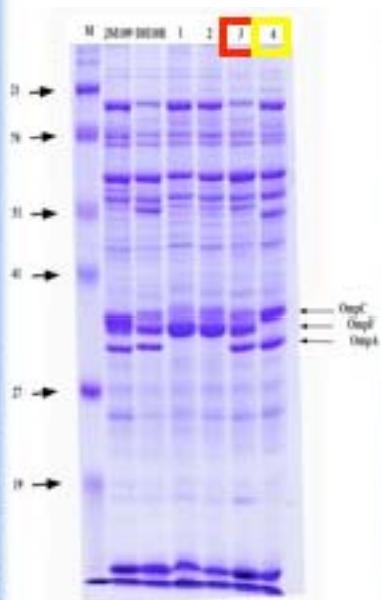
## Imipenem Resistance in *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Is Associated with the Combination of ACT-1, a Plasmid-Mediated AmpC $\beta$ -Lactamase, and the Loss of an Outer Membrane Protein

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Loss of porin



# Cloxacillin-containing plates

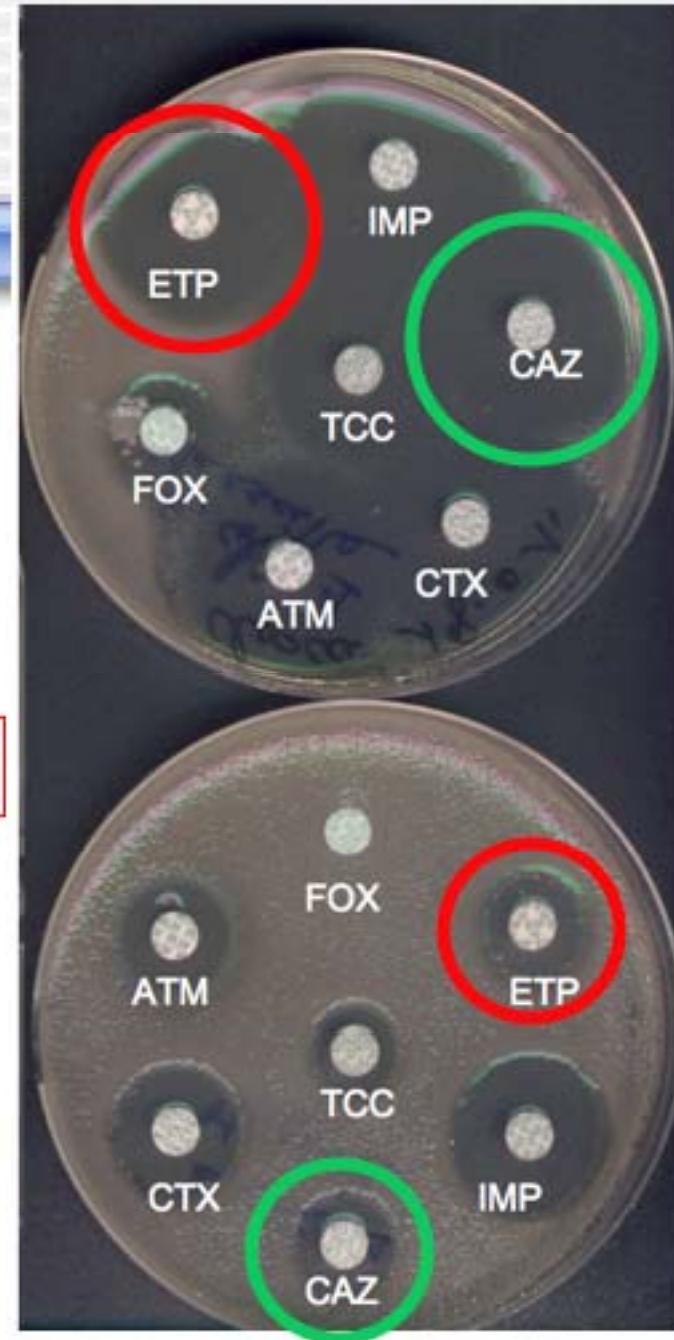
+ Cloxa

-very useful: *Enterobacter*  
*Serratia, C. freundii...*

-useful: *K. pneumoniae*  
*E. coli...*

***E. coli***

- Cloxa



## Inhibition by cloxacillin;non-carbapenemase/carbapenemase producers

	ERT (mm)	ERT + CLOXA (mm)
<i>E. cloaceae</i> AmpC overproducers n=20	22	31
<i>E. cloaceae</i> carbapenemases n=20	16	16

# Inhibition;KPC detection

*K. pneumoniae*



*E. coli*



(Nordmann, Cuzon, Naas Lancet Inf. Dis. 2009)

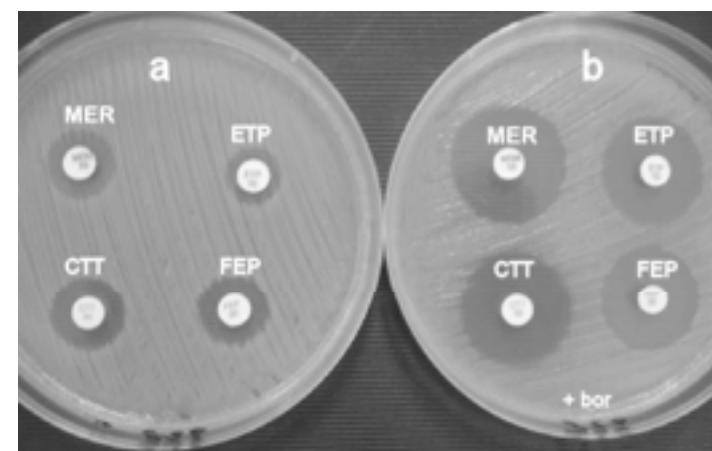
## Evaluation of Boronic Acid Disk Tests for Differentiating KPC-Possessing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Isolates in the Clinical Laboratory<sup>V</sup>

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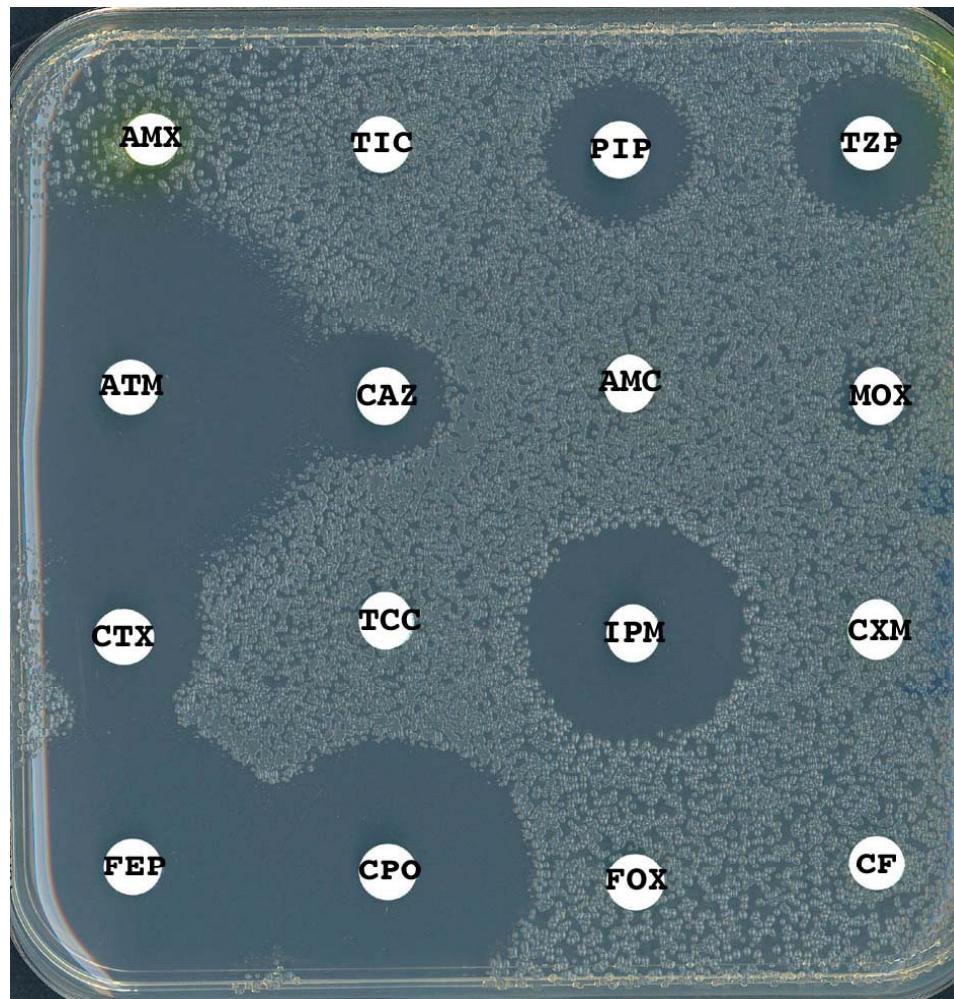
The worldwide increase in the occurrence and dissemination of KPC  $\beta$ -lactamases among gram-negative pathogens makes critical the early detection of these enzymes. Boronic acid disk tests using different antibiotic substrates were evaluated for detection of KPC-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolates. A total of 57 genetically confirmed KPC-producing *K. pneumoniae* isolates with varying carbapenem MICs were examined. To measure the specificity of the tests, 106 non-KPC-producing isolates (89 *K. pneumoniae* and 17 *Escherichia coli* isolates) were randomly selected among those exhibiting reduced susceptibility to cefoxitin, expanded-spectrum cephalosporins, or carbapenems. As many as 56, 53, and 40 of the non-KPC-producing isolates harbored extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases, metallo- $\beta$ -lactamases, and plasmid-mediated AmpC  $\beta$ -lactamases, respectively. By use of CLSI methodology and disks containing imipenem, meropenem, or cefepime, either alone or in combination with 400  $\mu$ g of boronic acid, all 57 KPC producers gave positive results (sensitivity, 100%) whereas all 106 non-KPC producers were negative (specificity, 100%). The meropenem duplicate disk with or without boronic acid demonstrated the largest differences in inhibition zone diameters between KPC producers and non-KPC producers. By use of disks containing ertapenem, all isolates were correctly differentiated except for five AmpC producers that gave false-positive results (sensitivity, 100%; specificity, 95.3%). These practical and simple boronic acid disk tests promise to be very helpful for the accurate differentiation of KPC-producing *K. pneumoniae* isolates, even in regions where different broad-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases are widespread.



# Carbapenem-hydrolyzing metallo- $\beta$ -lactamases (IMP, VIM, NDM)

- Requires zinc ions to be functional
- Not inhibited by clavulanic acid
- Inhibited in vitro by EDTA and dipicolinic acid
- Hydrolyse penicillins, broad-spectrum cephalosporins, cephemycins, carbapenems, but NOT monobactams

# Metallo- $\beta$ -lactamase: *E. coli* (NDM-1)

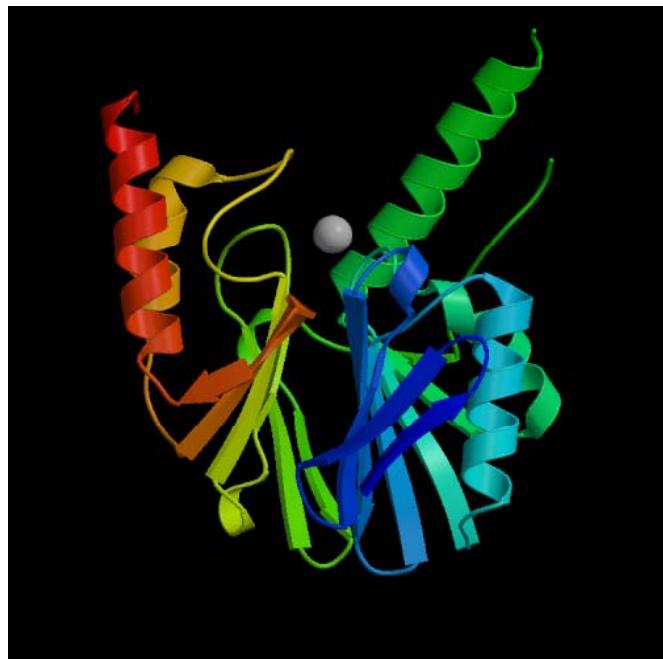


# Metallo- $\beta$ -lactamase; *K pneumoniae* (NDM-1)

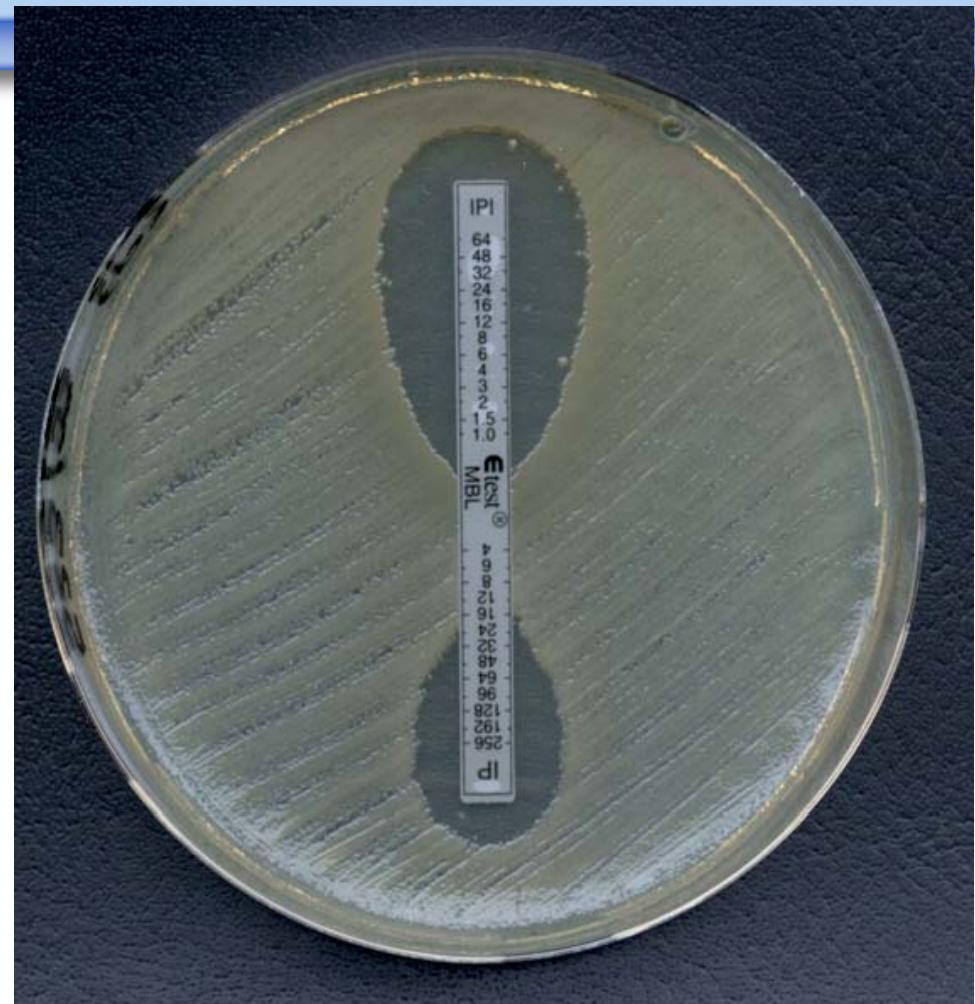
often associated with ESBL, other  $\beta$ -lactamases  
and permeability defects



# Metallo-carbapenemase: detection

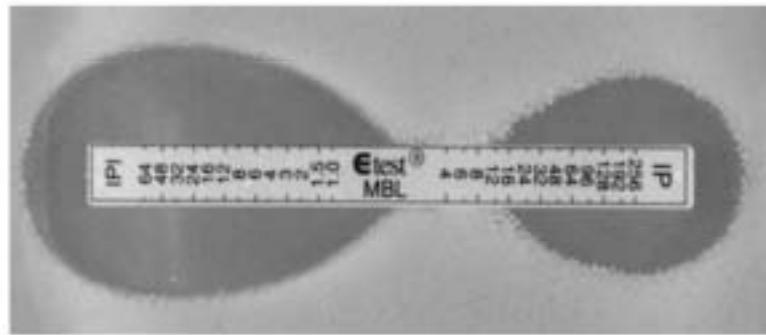


EDTA is a good inhibitor



Walsh *et al.* JCM, 2002, 2755-9

# Detection of MBLs



IMP (16 µg/ml)

Test +

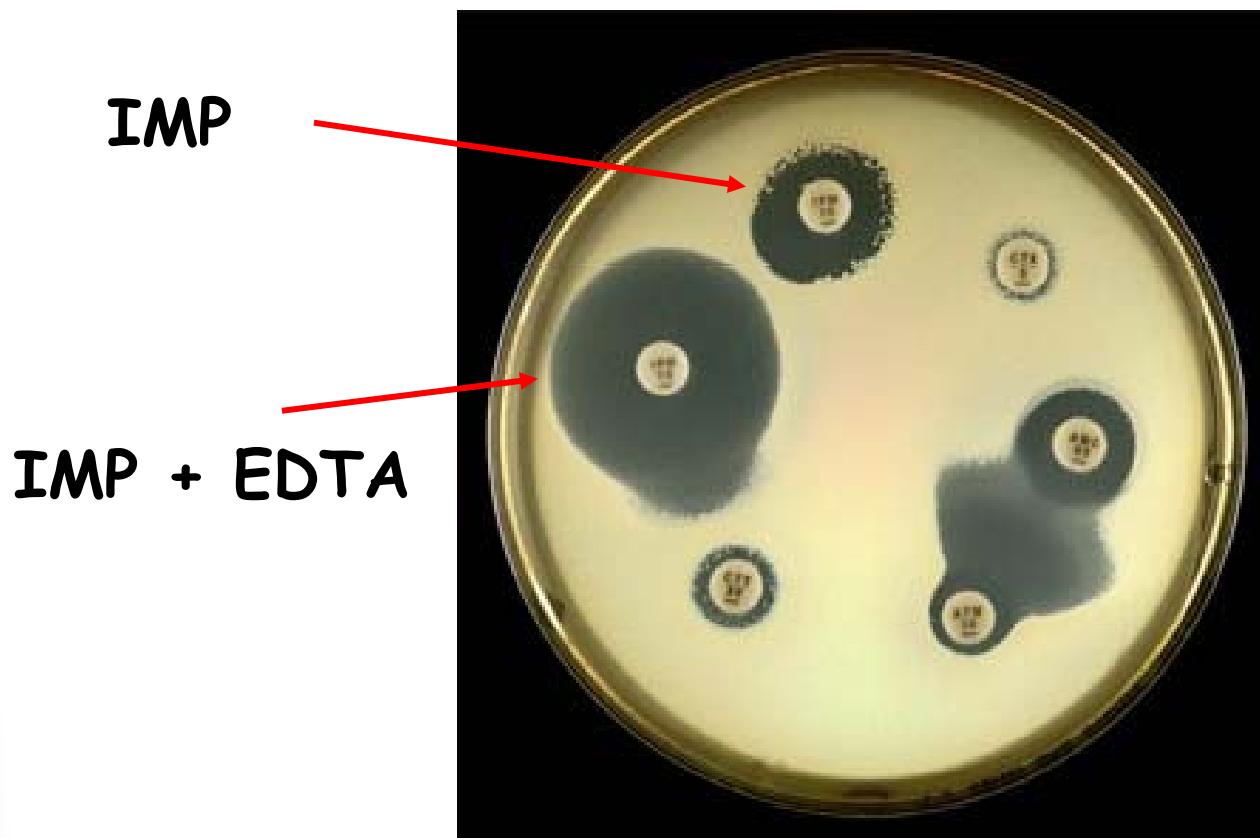
IMP + EDTA



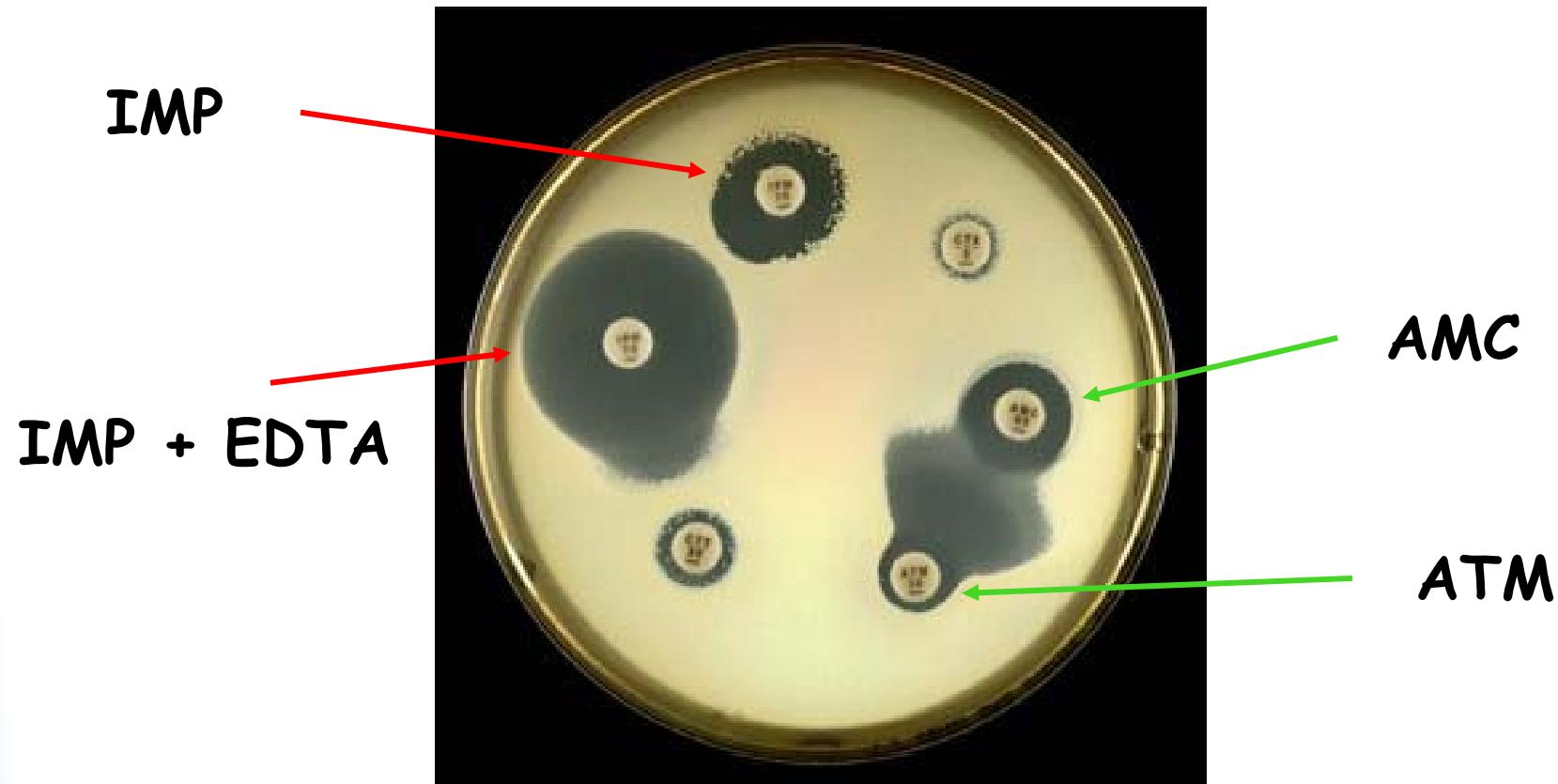
IMP ( $\leq$  4 µg/ml)

Test ?

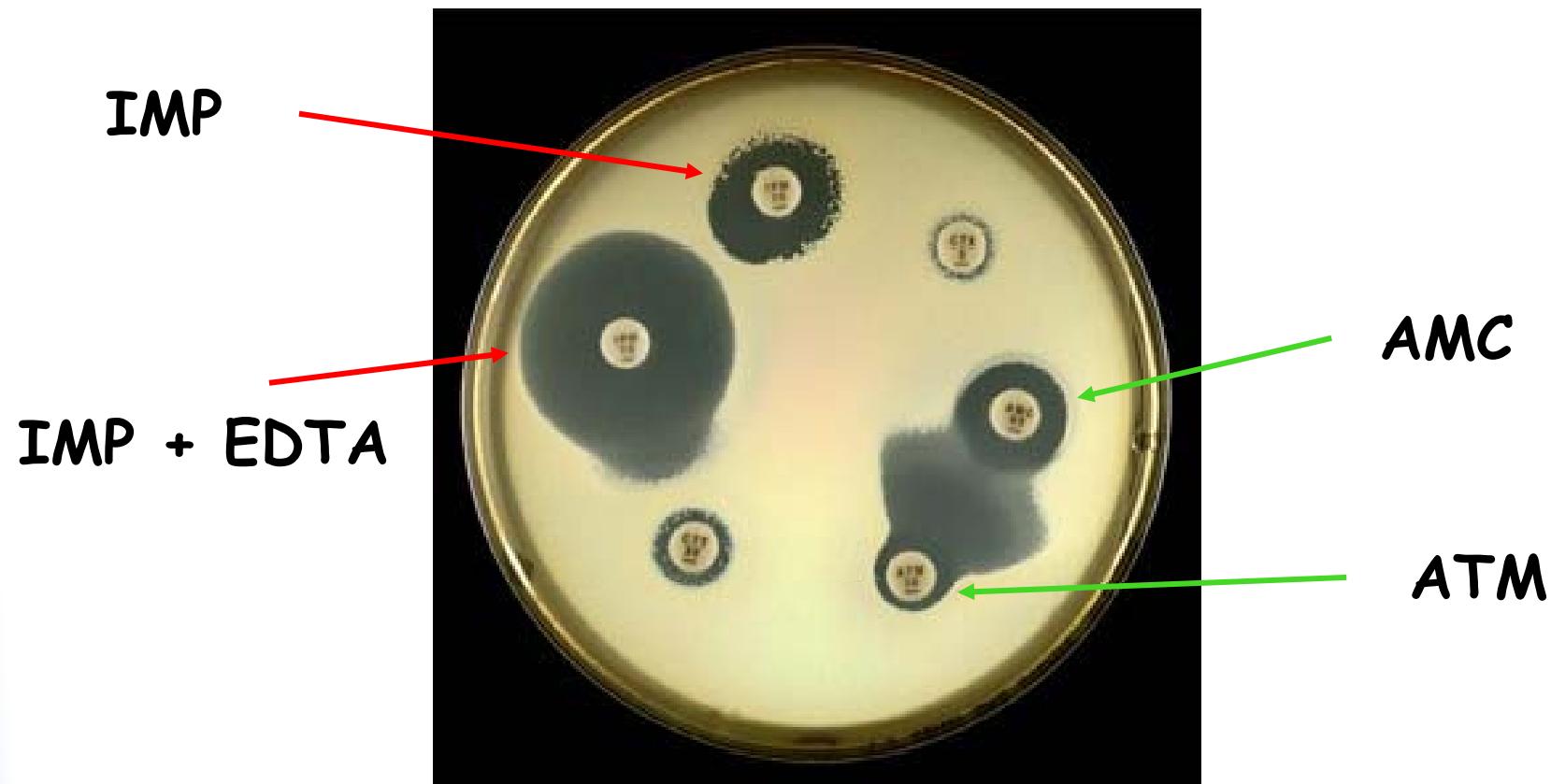
## Combined disk tests



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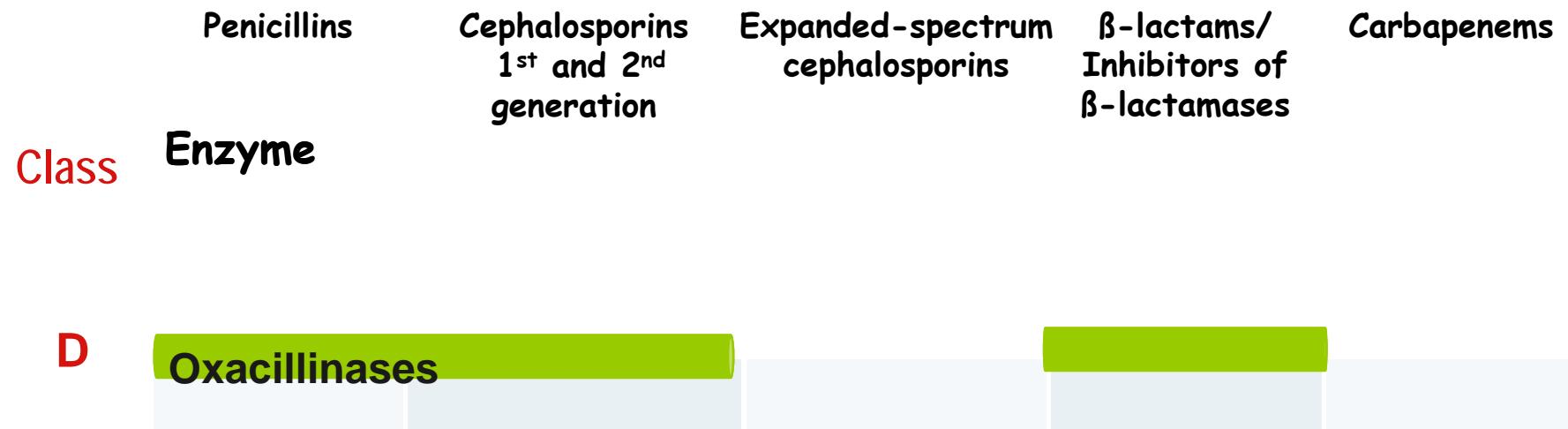
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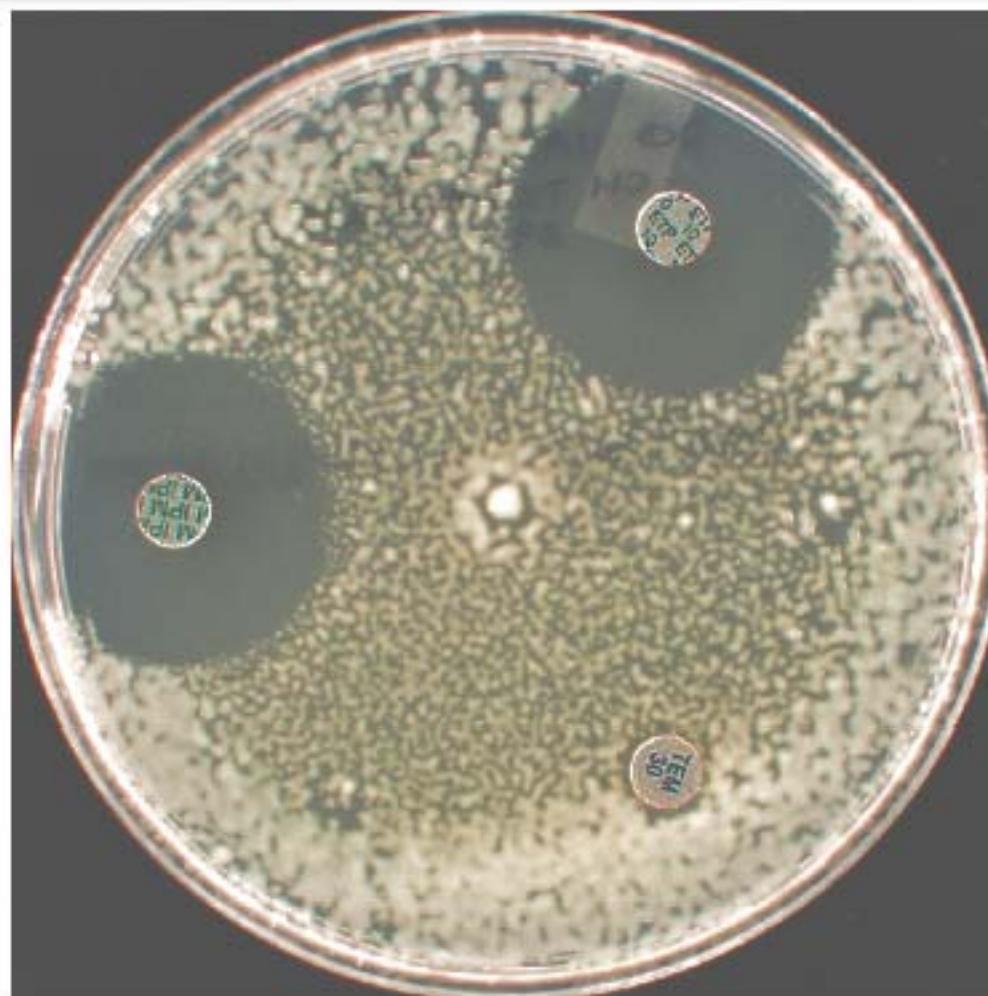
ESBL (SHV-12) and metallo- $\beta$ -lactamase (IMP-4)

Poirel et al., Pathology, 2004, 36, 366-8

# In-vitro spectrum activity of class D $\beta$ -lactamases

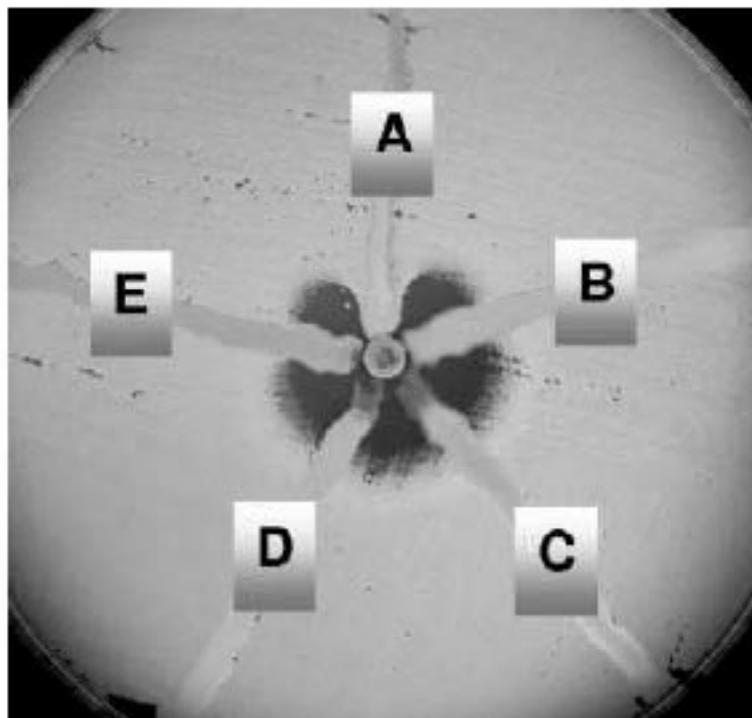


## **OXA-48 and resistance to temocillin**



# Phenotypic tests: Hodge test

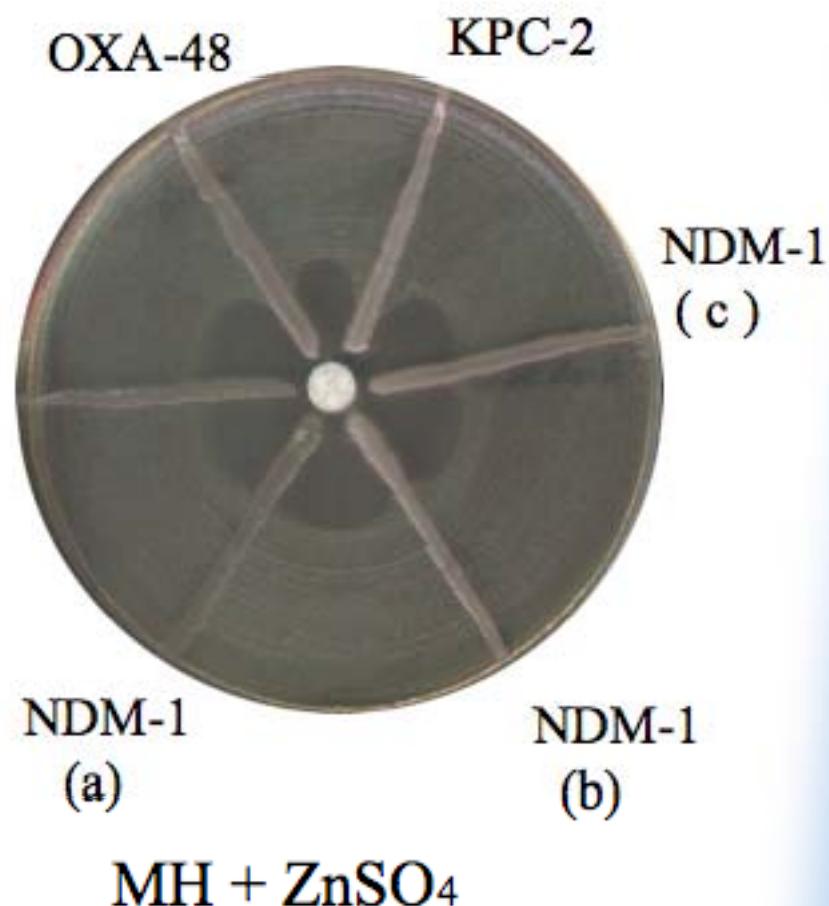
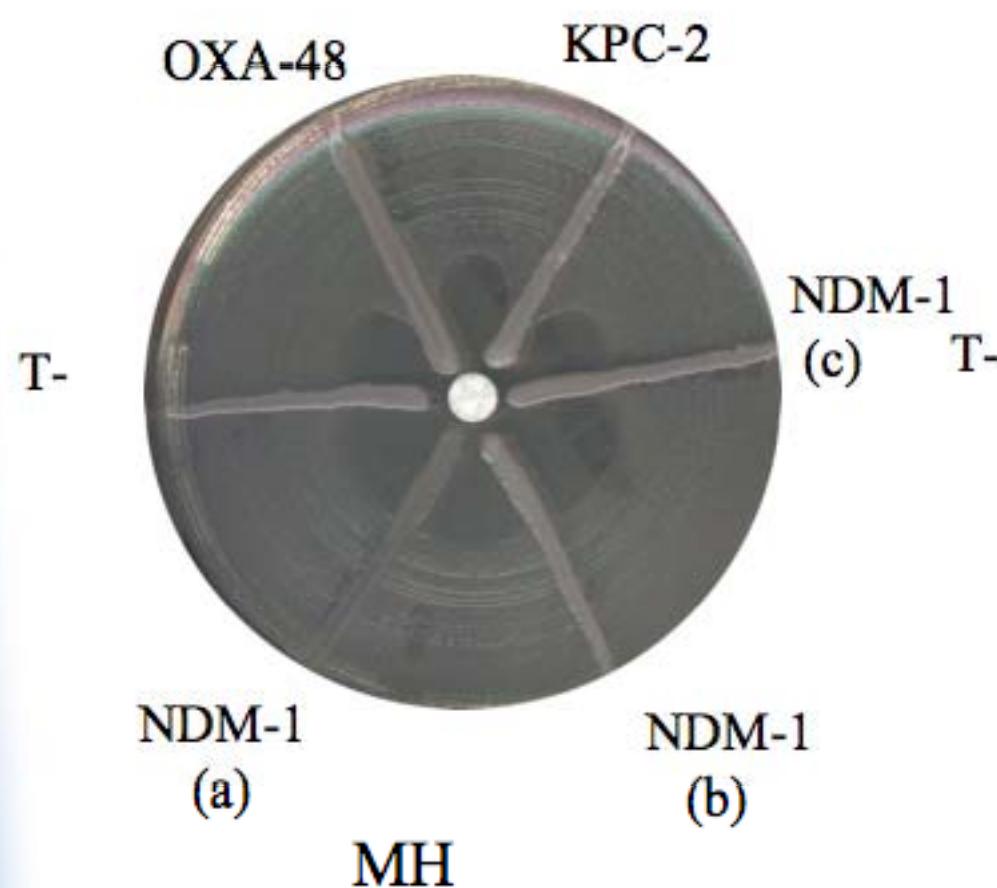
## Modified cloverleaf (Hodge) test



- 1:10 dilution of 0.5 McF suspension of *E. coli* ATCC 25922
- 10 µg imipenem disk in the center
- Each test isolate streaked from the the disk to the edge of the plate
- Isolate A is positive, isolates B-D are negative

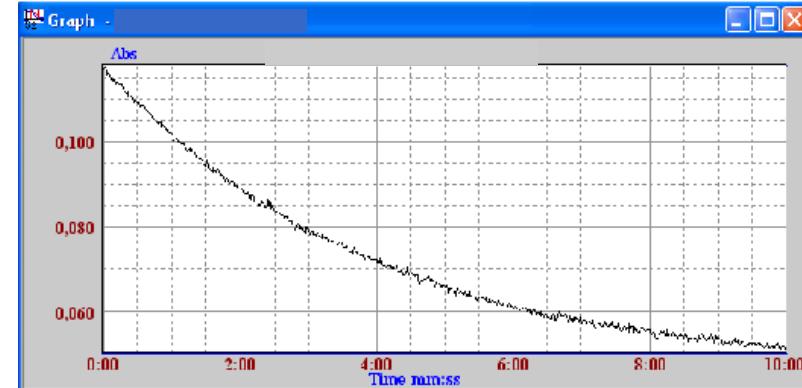
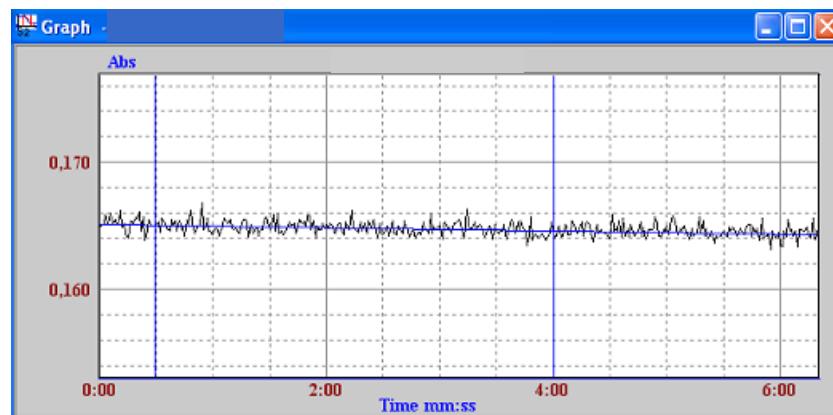
## Value of the Modified Hodge test for detection of emerging carbapenemases in *Enterobacteriaceae*.

Girlich D, Poirel L, Nordmann P, J Clin Microbiol. 2011 Nov 23. [Epub ahead of print]



# A method for expert labs: spectrophotometry detection of carbapenemase activity

- 18 h Culture-protein extraction-measurement of carbapenem hydrolysis by UV spectrophotometry



- 10 µl of bacterial crude extract + 100 µM of imipenem
- wavelength: 297 nm

*Bernabeu, Poirel & Nordmann, Diag Microb Infect Dis, 2012 in press*

# Mass Spectrophotometry

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## NOTES

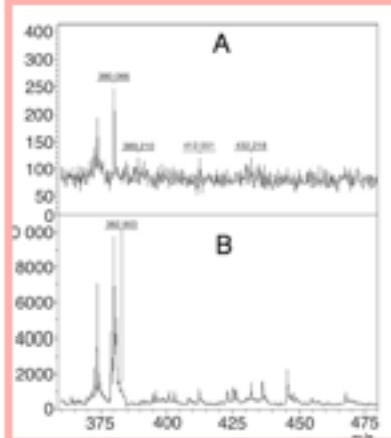
### Using Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization–Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry To Detect Carbapenem Resistance within 1 to 2.5 Hours<sup>v</sup>

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In recent years, the percentage of carbapenem-resistant bacteria has increased and become a major threat for patient survival. Carbapenemase-induced carbapenem resistance can be detected by the detection of carbapenem degradation products using matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization–time of flight mass spectrometry (MALDI-TOF MS). This method works for strains carrying KPC-2, and different IMP enzymes.



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### Carbapenemase Activity Detection by Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization–Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry<sup>v</sup>

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Matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization–time of flight (MALDI-TOF) mass spectrometry is used for the determination of molecular weights of different chemical compounds. We describe here the use of MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry to detect a carbapenem antibiotic, meropenem, and its degradation products. Buffered meropenem solution (0.1 mM Tris-HCl, pH 6.8) was mixed with an overnight culture of bacteria. After 3-h incubation, the reaction mixture was centrifuged, and the supernatant was analyzed by MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry. The presence or absence of peaks representing meropenem and its sodium salts was crucial. The average turnaround time of this test, considering the use of overnight culture, is 4 h. We validated this method for the detection of resistance to carbapenems in *Enterobacteriaceae* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* mediated by carbapenemase production. A total of 124 strains, including 30 carbapenemase-producing strains, were used in the study. The sensitivity of this method is 96.47%, with a specificity of 97.87%. Our results demonstrate the ability of this method to routinely detect carbapenemases in *Enterobacteriaceae* and *Pseudomonas* spp. in laboratories. This assay is comparable with a labor-intensive imipenem-hydrolyzing spectrophotometric assay that is a reference method for the detection of carbapenemases. As demonstrated here, MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry may be used in microbiological laboratories not only for microbial identification but also for other applications, such as studies of mechanisms of antibiotic resistance.

# Molecular tests - PCR- Sequencing; Gold Standard



## Multiplex PCR for detection of acquired carbapenemase genes

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Updated multiplex polymerase chain reaction for detection of 16S rRNA methylases: high prevalence among NDM-1 producers<sup>†,‡</sup>

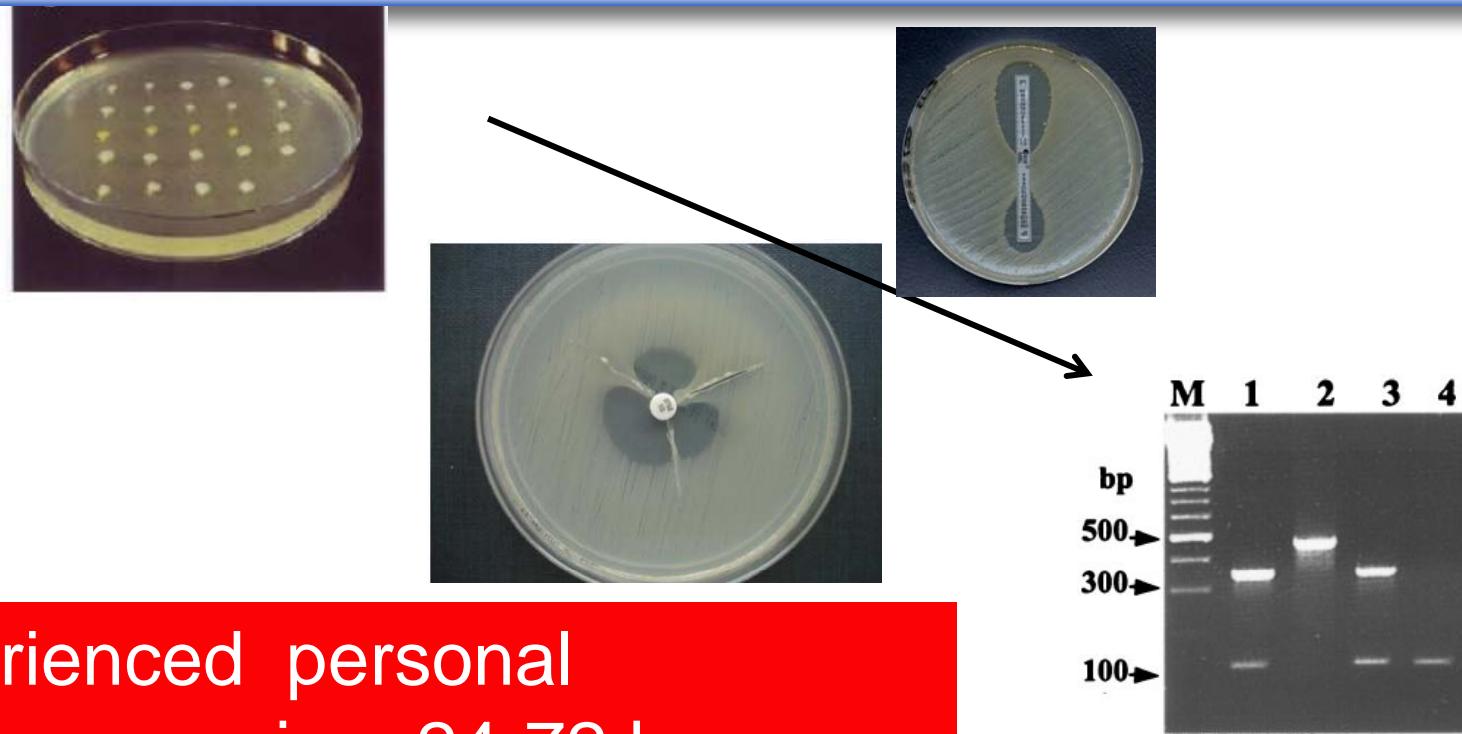
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# The problems of detection of carbapenemase producers



- ① Experienced personal
- ② Time consuming; 24-72 h or more
- ③ Variable sensitivity and specificity
- ④ Expensive; molecular techniques

# Which is the situation ?

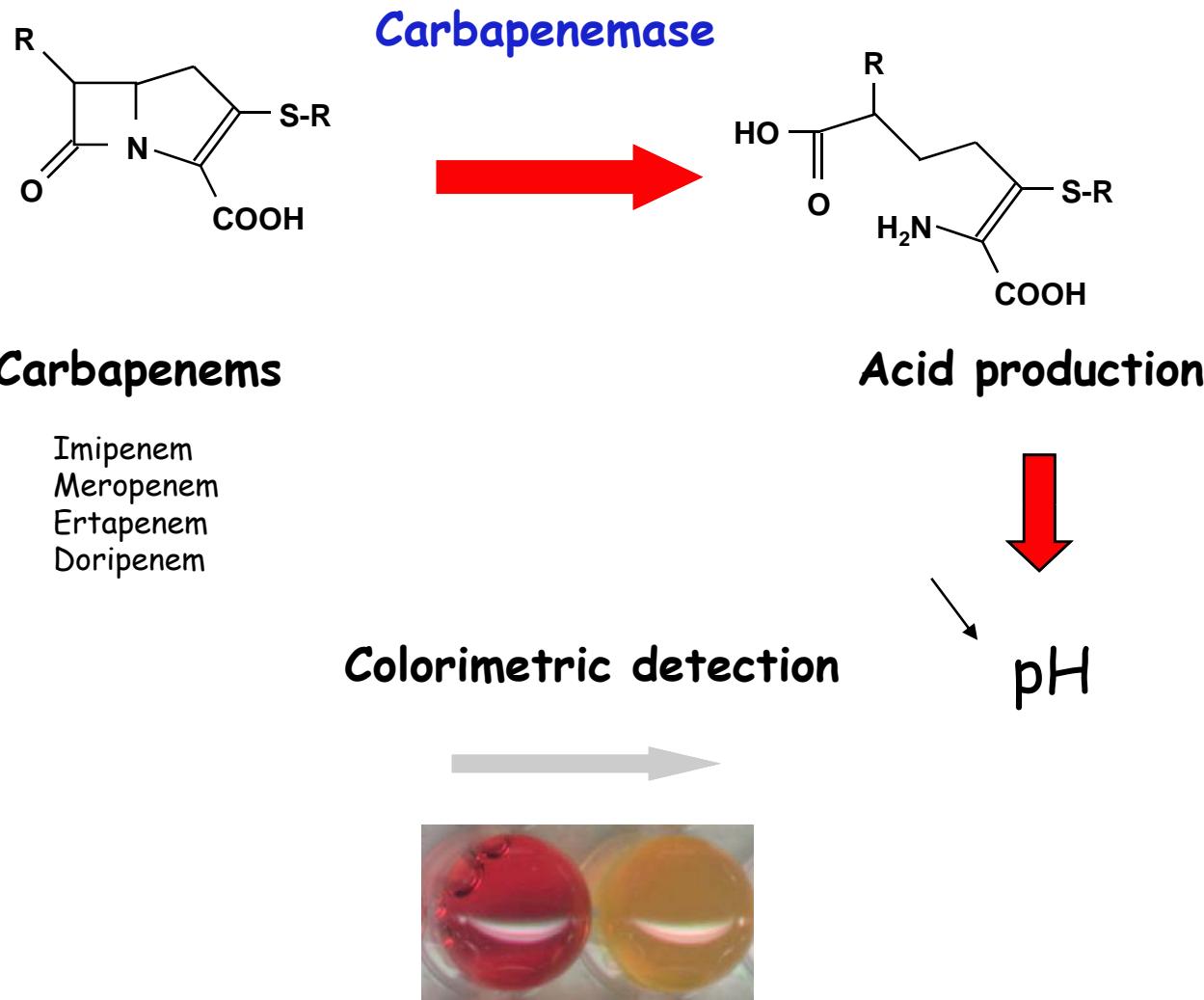
## Currently available diagnostic tests for carbapenemase producers

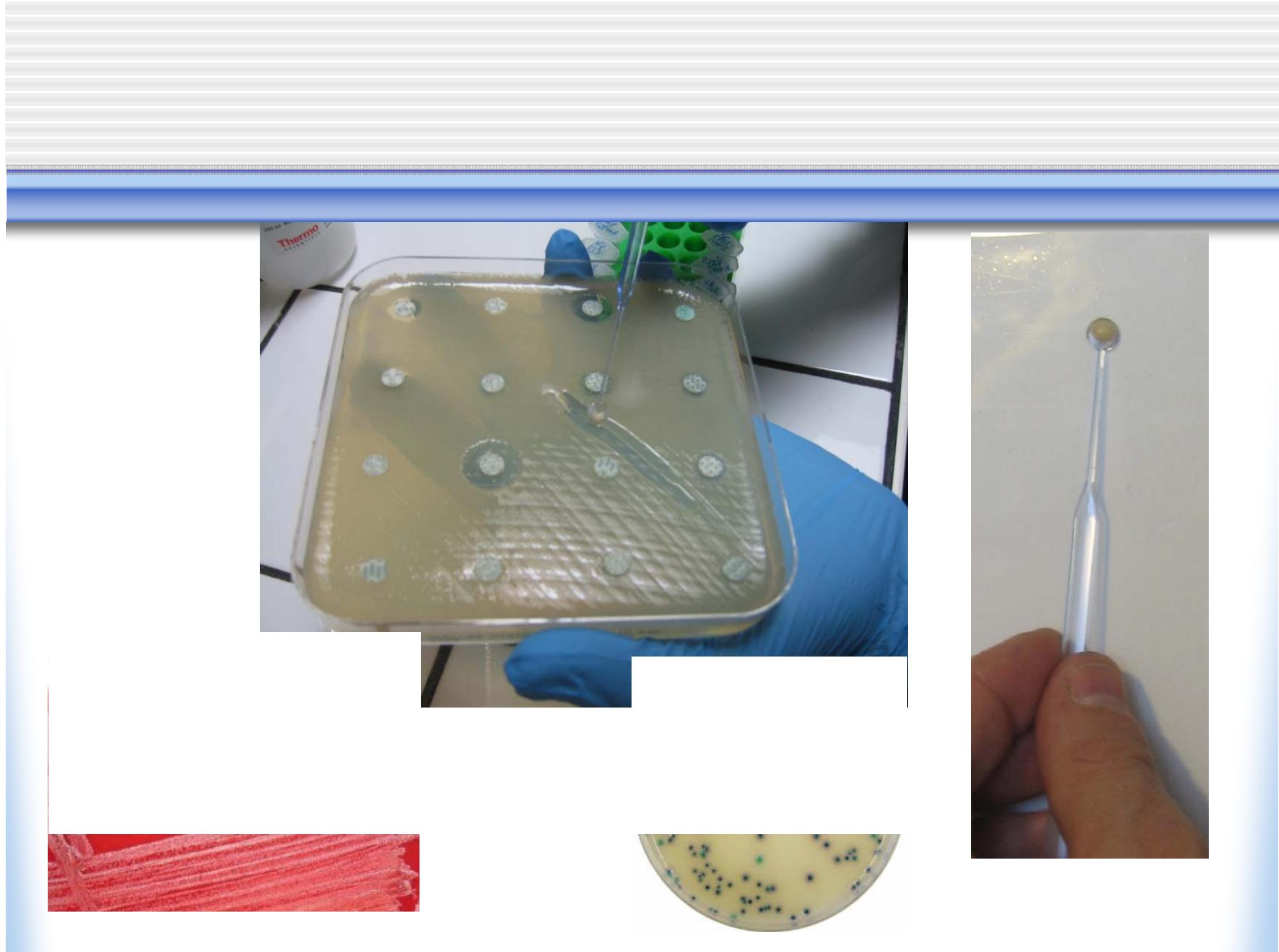
- Susceptibility testing** : imipenem, ertapenem, meropenem:CLSI, EUCAST guidelines
- Phenotypic detection**
  - Hodge test; modified Hodge test
  - Inhibition; EDTA, clavulanic acid, boronic acid...
- Carbapenem hydrolysis** (spectrophotometry, mass spectro)
- Molecular biology**
  - Specific PCR , multiplex PCR +/- sequencing
  - Real time PCR (Check Point)
  - DNA Microarray (Check Point)

## Goal

A rapid, specific, sensitive, cheap test for detection of carbapenemases in *Enterobacteriaceae* worldwide

# Principle of the test





# The Carba NP test; the kit



# Strains collection

- **Carbapenemase producers : n=162**
  - The enterobacterial species; *E.coli* (n= 22), *K. pneumoniae*, (n=81), others (n =59)
  - Variability of the level of resistance to carbapenems
  - KPC (n=49), VIM (n=26 ), NDM (n= 28), OXA-48 type (n= 27), others (n= 12)
- **Carbapenemase non-producers: n= 46**
  - The enterobacterial species; *E.coli* (n=13), *K. pneumoniae* (n= 17), others (n=16)
  - Decrease susceptibility to carbapenems (n=23) including combined mechanisms of resistance (outer membrane permeability defect+ CTX-M, AmpC...)
  - Wild-type susceptibility to carbapenems (n=23) including CTX-M or AmpC producers.

# Interpretation of the Carba NP test

Imipenem  
- +

No inoculation



Non-carbapenemase producer



Carbapenemase producer



# The Carba NP test

Sensitivity = 100%

Specificity = 100%

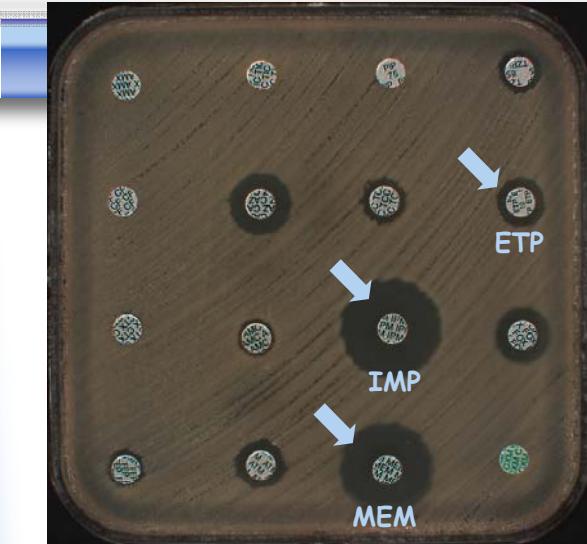
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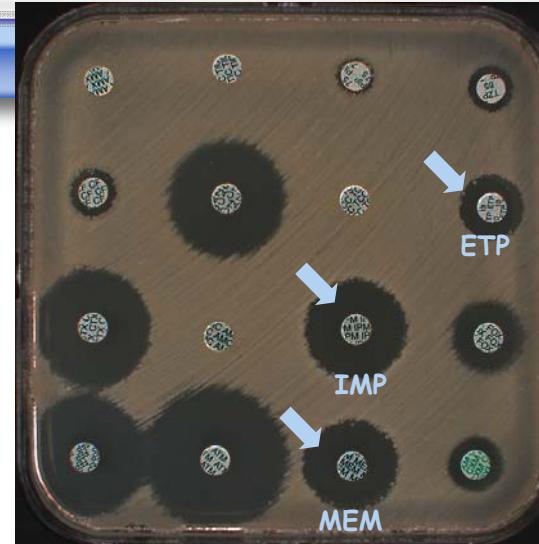
Ambler class	Carbapenemase type	Mean time for positivity
A	KPC	15 min- 1h
A	GES-2, -5	1h-1h30
B	NDM	20-50 min
B	VIM	20-50 min
B	IMP	5-30 min
D	OXA-48	30-40 min

# Question ; any carbapenemase here ?

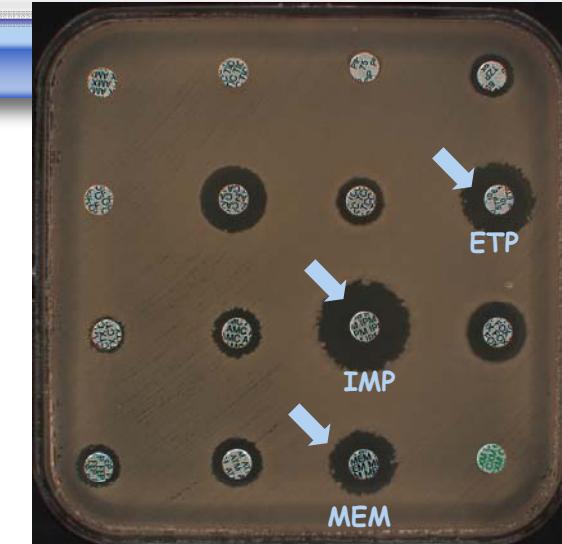
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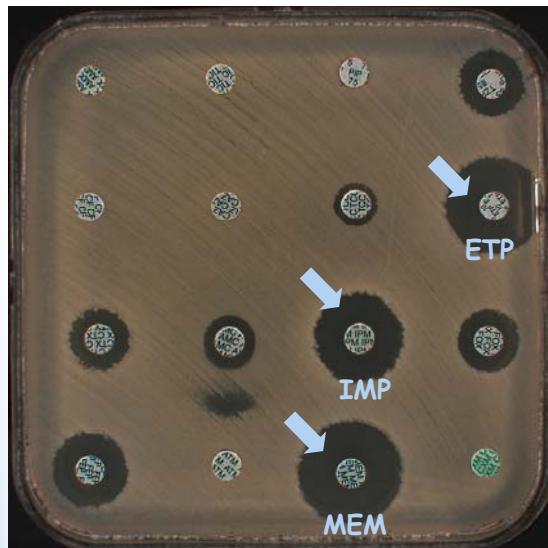
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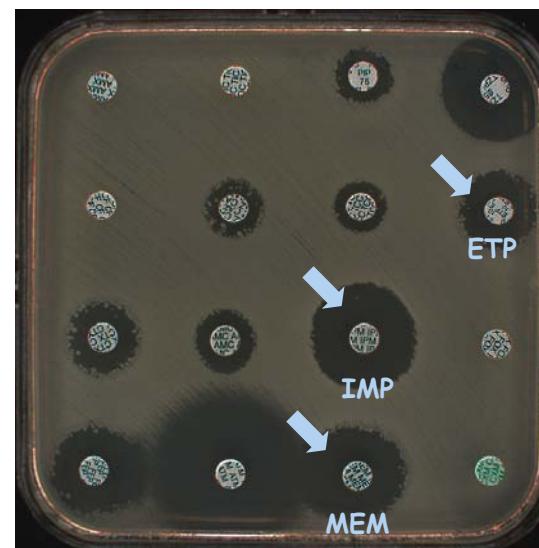
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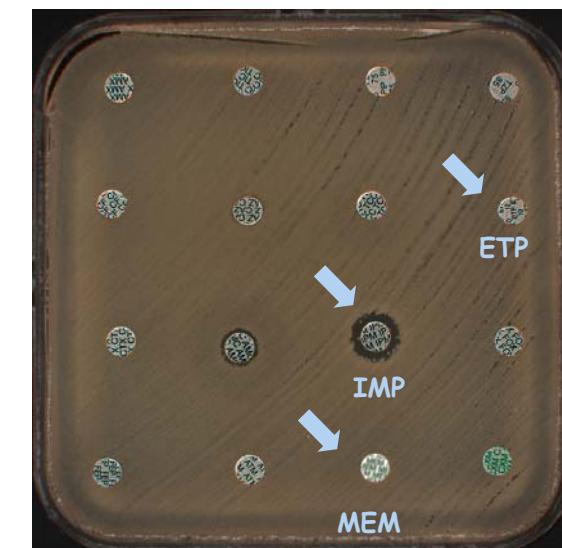
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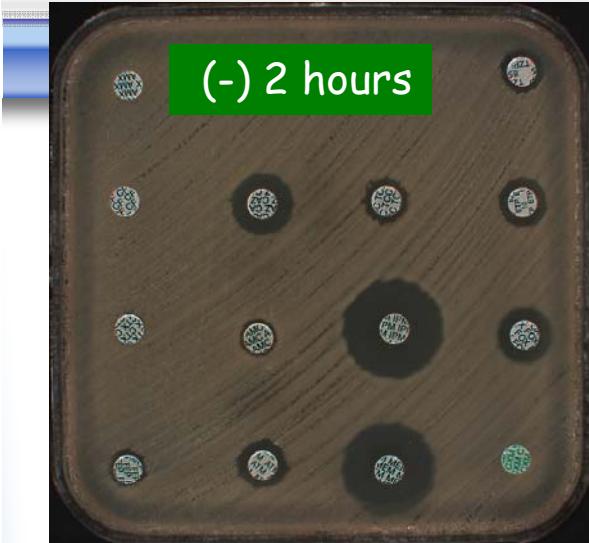
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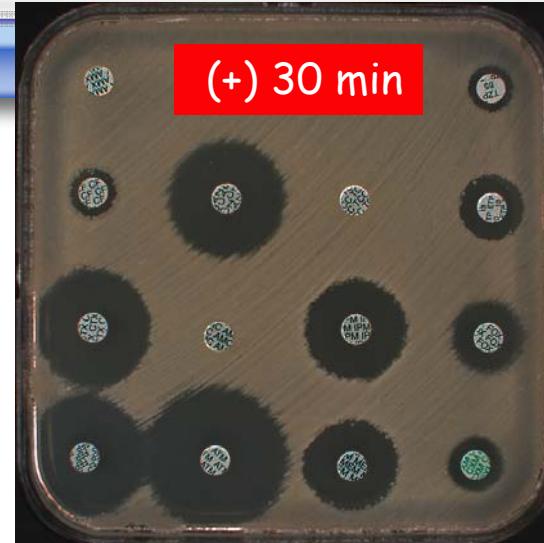
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*K. pneumoniae*

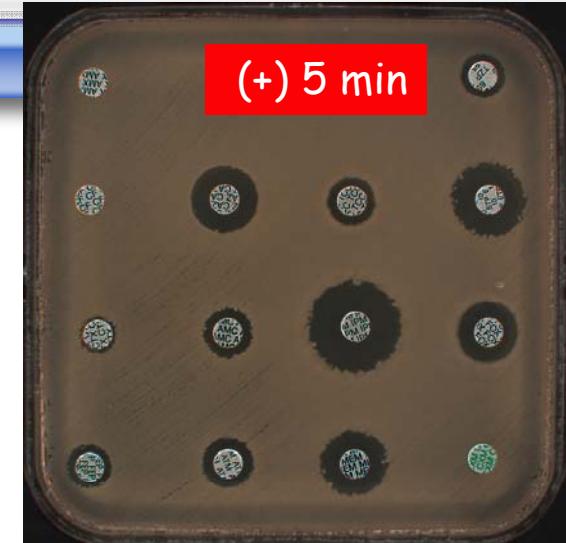
CTX-M15 + impermeability



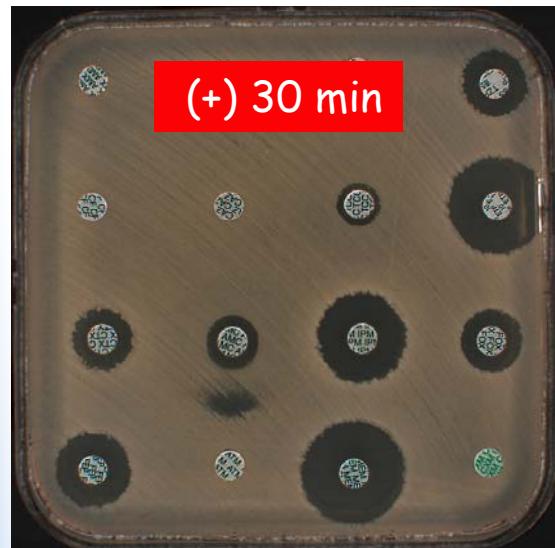
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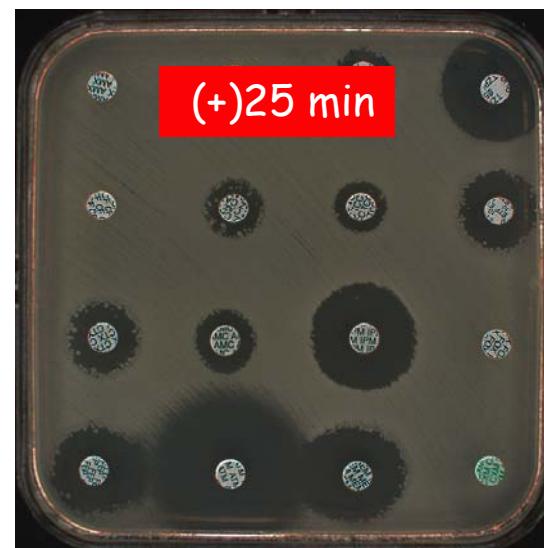
*K. pneumoniae* KPC-2



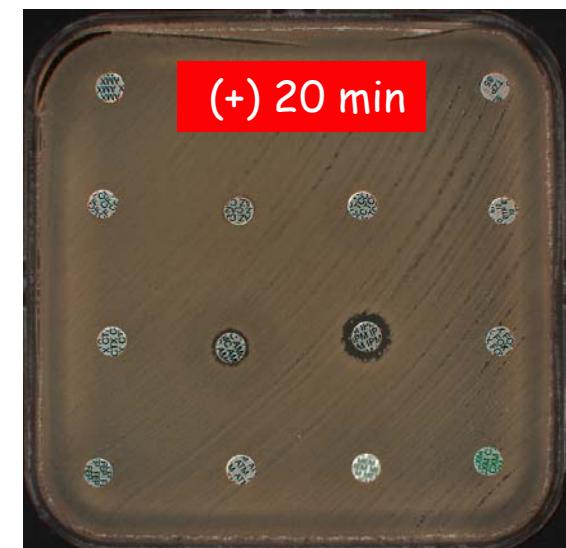
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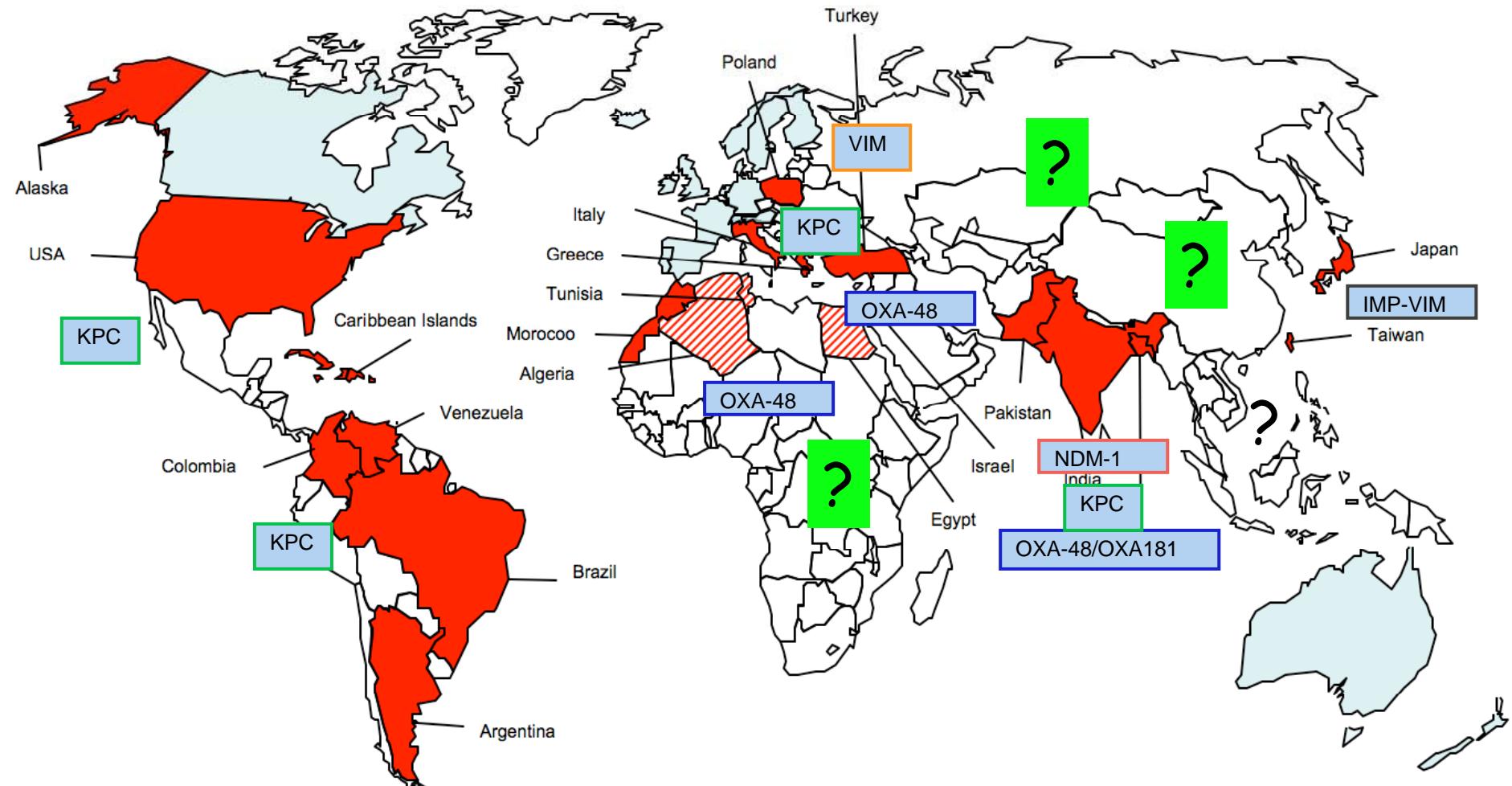
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# The Carba NP test

- ① Rapid; less than 2 h
- ② Sensitive; 100%
- ③ Specific: 100%
- ④ Detection of any type carbapenemase activity
- ⑤ Cheap : 0.5 USD
- ⑥ Easy-to-handle
- ⑦ Implementable worldwide

# Carbapenemases- Enterobactericeae reservoirs



# Detection of carbapenemase producers as colonizers of the intestinal flora

①



②



③



Oxoid Brilliance CRE agar  
(Thermo Fisher)  
contains a carbapenem

CHROMagar KPC  
(carbapenemase producers)  
contains a carbapenem

## How To Detect NDM-1 Producers<sup>▽</sup>

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TABLE 1. Sensitivity of detection of 27 NDM-1 producers by ChromID ESBL and CHROMagar KPC media, results of the combined disk test<sup>a</sup> and the Etest MBL, and MICs of several β-lactams

Isolate	Country of isolation	MIC (μg/ml) <sup>b</sup>						Etest MBL	IMP/IMP + EDTA	Lower limit of detection (CFU/ml)	
		CTX	CAZ	IMP	ETP	MER	DOR			ChromID ESBL	CHROMagar KPC
<i>E. coli</i>											
A	Australia	>32	>256	6	4	4	>32	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^1$
B	France	>32	>256	3	3	2	2	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^5$
C	India	>32	>256	2	>32	24	6	+	+	$3 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^1$
D	India	>32	>256	16	>32	16	3	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
E	India	>32	>256	32	>32	>32	24	+	+	$2 \times 10^2$	$1 \times 10^1$
F	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	16	16	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^1$
G	India	>32	>256	4	>32	8	3	+	+	$3 \times 10^1$	$4 \times 10^1$
H	India	>32	>256	1.5	8	2	1	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$2 \times 10^5$
I	India	>32	>256	3	>32	6	2	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
J	India	>32	>256	2	4	2	1.5	+	+	$8 \times 10^0$	$1 \times 10^4$
<i>E. cloacae</i>											
A	India	>32	>256	8	6	6	4	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$5 \times 10^1$
B	India	>32	>256	>32	12	8	12	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
C	India	>32	>256	2	16	2	1	+	+	$3 \times 10^2$	$4 \times 10^4$
D	India	>32	>256	0.75	3	1.5	1	— <sup>c</sup>	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^2$
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>											
A	Kenya	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
B	Sultanate of Oman	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$2 \times 10^1$
C	Sultanate of Oman	>32	>256	1	6	2	2	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^2$
D	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^1$
E	India	>32	>256	0.75	8	2	1.5	—	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$3 \times 10^2$
F	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$8 \times 10^1$
G	India	>32	>256	2	6	2	1.5	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^2$
H	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$5 \times 10^2$
I	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$5 \times 10^2$
J	India	>32	>256	6	>32	16	12	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
<i>K. oxytoca</i> A	India	>32	>256	2	4	3	3	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^4$
<i>C. freundii</i> A	France	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
<i>P. rettgeri</i> A	India	>32	>256	3	0.5	1.5	0.75	+	+	$5 \times 10^2$	$5 \times 10^5$

<sup>a</sup> IMP, IMP plus EDTA.

<sup>b</sup> CTX, cefotaxime; CAZ, ceftazidime; IMP, imipenem; ETP, ertapenem; MER, meropenem; DOR, doripenem.

<sup>c</sup> —, not interpretable.

## How To Detect NDM-1 Producers<sup>▽</sup>

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TABLE 1. Sensitivity of detection of 27 NDM-1 producers by ChromID ESBL and CHROMagar KPC media, results of the combined disk test<sup>a</sup> and the Etest MBL, and MICs of several  $\beta$ -lactams

Isolate	Country of isolation	MIC ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ) <sup>b</sup>					Etest MBL	IMP/IMP + EDTA	Lower limit of detection (CFU/ml)	
		CTX	CAZ	IMP	ETP	MER			ChromID ESBL	CHROMagar KPC
<i>E. coli</i>										
A	Australia	>32	>256	6	4	4	>32	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$
B	France	>32	>256	3	3	2	2	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$
C	India	>32	>256	2	>32	24	6	+	+	$3 \times 10^1$
D	India	>32	>256	16	>32	16	3	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
E	India	>32	>256	32	>32	>32	24	+	+	$2 \times 10^2$
F	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	16	16	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
G	India	>32	>256	4	>32	8	3	+	+	$3 \times 10^1$
H	India	>32	>256	1.5	8	2	1	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
I	India	>32	>256	3	>32	6	2	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
J	India	>32	>256	2	4	2	1.5	+	+	$8 \times 10^0$
<i>E. cloacae</i>										
A	India	>32	>256	8	6	6	4	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
B	India	>32	>256	>32	12	8	12	+	+	$5 \times 10^1$
C	India	>32	>256	2	16	2	1	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
D	India	>32	>256	0.75	3	1.5	1	— <sup>c</sup>	+	$3 \times 10^2$
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>										
A	Kenya	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$
B	Sultanate of Oman	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
C	Sultanate of Oman	>32	>256	1	6	2	2	+	+	$3 \times 10^2$
D	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$2 \times 10^1$
E	India	>32	>256	0.75	8	2	1.5	—	+	$1 \times 10^1$
F	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$3 \times 10^2$
G	India	>32	>256	2	6	2	1.5	+	+	$8 \times 10^1$
H	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
I	India	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^2$
J	India	>32	>256	6	>32	16	12	+	+	$5 \times 10^2$
<i>K. oxytoca</i> A										
C. freundii	A France	>32	>256	>32	>32	>32	>32	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
P. rettgeri	A India	>32	>256	3	0.5	1.5	0.75	+	+	$1 \times 10^1$
										$5 \times 10^5$

<sup>a</sup> IMP, IMP plus EDTA.

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## Use of ChromID Extended-Spectrum $\beta$ -Lactamase Medium for Detecting Carbapenemase-Producing *Enterobacteriaceae*<sup>†</sup>

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**TABLE 1.** Sensitivity of detection of ChromID ESBL medium and CHROMagar KPC medium for 28 carbapenemase- and/or ESBL-producing enterobacterial isolates

Isolate	Carbapenemase	ESBL	MIC ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ) of drug <sup>a</sup> :					Lowest limit of detection (CFU/ml)	
			CTX	CAZ	IMP	ETP	MP	ChromID ESBL	CHROMagar KPC
<i>Citrobacter freundii</i>	KPC-2		16	32	4	2	3	$1 \times 10^1$	$4.4 \times 10^1$
<i>Serratia marcescens</i>	KPC-2		>256	>256	>32	>32	>32	$1 \times 10^1$	$1.4 \times 10^1$
<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i>	KPC-2		>256	>256	4	6	2	$1 \times 10^1$	$2.5 \times 10^1$
<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i> HPTU	KPC-2		6	4	1	1.5	1	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^4$
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	KPC-2		6	4	0.5	0.5	0.5	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^4$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> A28006	KPC-2	CTX-M-2	>256	16	16	24	32	$1 \times 10^1$	$8.3 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> 588	KPC-2		16	48	24	32	16	$1 \times 10^1$	$1.4 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> 633	KPC-2	CTX-M-12	>256	>256	>32	>32	4	$1 \times 10^1$	$1.6 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> 2303	KPC-2		>256	>256	>32	>32	>32	$8 \times 10^1$	$2.5 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> GR	KPC-2		>256	>256	12	24	6	$1 \times 10^1$	$1.5 \times 10^1$
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	VIM-1	CTX-M-3	>256	>256	1.5	0.5	0.5	$1 \times 10^1$	$2 \times 10^5$
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	IMP-1		>256	>256	0.5	3	0.5	$1 \times 10^1$	$2 \times 10^5$
<i>Serratia marcescens</i>	IMP-1		>256	6	4	>32	4	$1 \times 10^1$	$7 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> 6852	IMP-1		>256	>256	1	2	8	$1 \times 10^1$	$1.7 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	VIM-1	CTX-M-3	>256	>256	1	2	1	$3 \times 10^1$	$2 \times 10^4$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> 149	IMP-4	SHV-12	>256	>256	2	4	2	$2 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^3$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	VIM-1	SHV-5	>256	>256	>32	>32	>32	$1 \times 10^1$	$5.7 \times 10^1$
<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i>	VIM-1	CTX-M-3	>256	>256	3	4	2	$1 \times 10^1$	$1.5 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> BIC	OXA-48		0.5	0.5	0.5	2	0.5	$>2 \times 10^7$	$5 \times 10^6$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> I	OXA-48	CTX-M-15	>256	32	24	24	16	$1 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> B	OXA-48	CTX-M-15	>256	>256	16	>32	32	$2 \times 10^1$	$5 \times 10^3$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> BEL	OXA-48		0.5	1	1	4	1	$>2 \times 10^7$	$1 \times 10^6$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> LIB	OXA-48		2	1	16	16	16	$>2 \times 10^7$	$5 \times 10^4$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> EG	OXA-48	CTX-M-15	64	256	2	3	2	$2 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^5$
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> 11978	OXA-48	SHV-2a	64	256	>32	>32	>32	$2 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^1$
<i>Providencia rettgeri</i>	OXA-48	TEM-101	64	256	>32	>32	>32	$6 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^2$
<i>Citrobacter freundii</i>	OXA-48	VEB-1	64	256	>32	>32	>32	$3 \times 10^1$	$2 \times 10^7$
<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i>	OXA-48	SHV-5	>256	>256	0.5	0.5	0.5	$2 \times 10^1$	$1 \times 10^5$

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- Use of a Drigalski medium for selection of Gram negatives
  - Supplemented with a carbapenem
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  - Supplemented with  $ZnSO_4$



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Combines many advantages

- Excellent sensitivity
  - for OXA-48 producers thanks to a low concentration of the carbapenem
  - for MBL producers (especially NDM) thanks to the addition of zinc ions
- Excellent specificity
  - supplemented with a carbapenem, not a cephalosporin (no growth of an ESBL+ and carbapenem susceptible strain)
  - supplemented with cloxacillin (no growth of an AmpC-mediated carbapenem non-susceptible strain)

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	Supercarba	Brilliance CRE	ChromKPC
Sensitivity (%)	96	76	43
Specificity (%)	61	57	68

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- Rapid detection of carbapenemase producers in *Enterobacteriaceae* is now possible. To be implemented worldwide
- Carba NP test interesting for antibiotic stewardship and outbreak control
- Hodge test, inhibition techniques...are less likely to be used in the future.. delay for the results
- Molecular techniques are useful mostly for epidemiological purposes
- Screening media are being developed with good sensitivity and specificity